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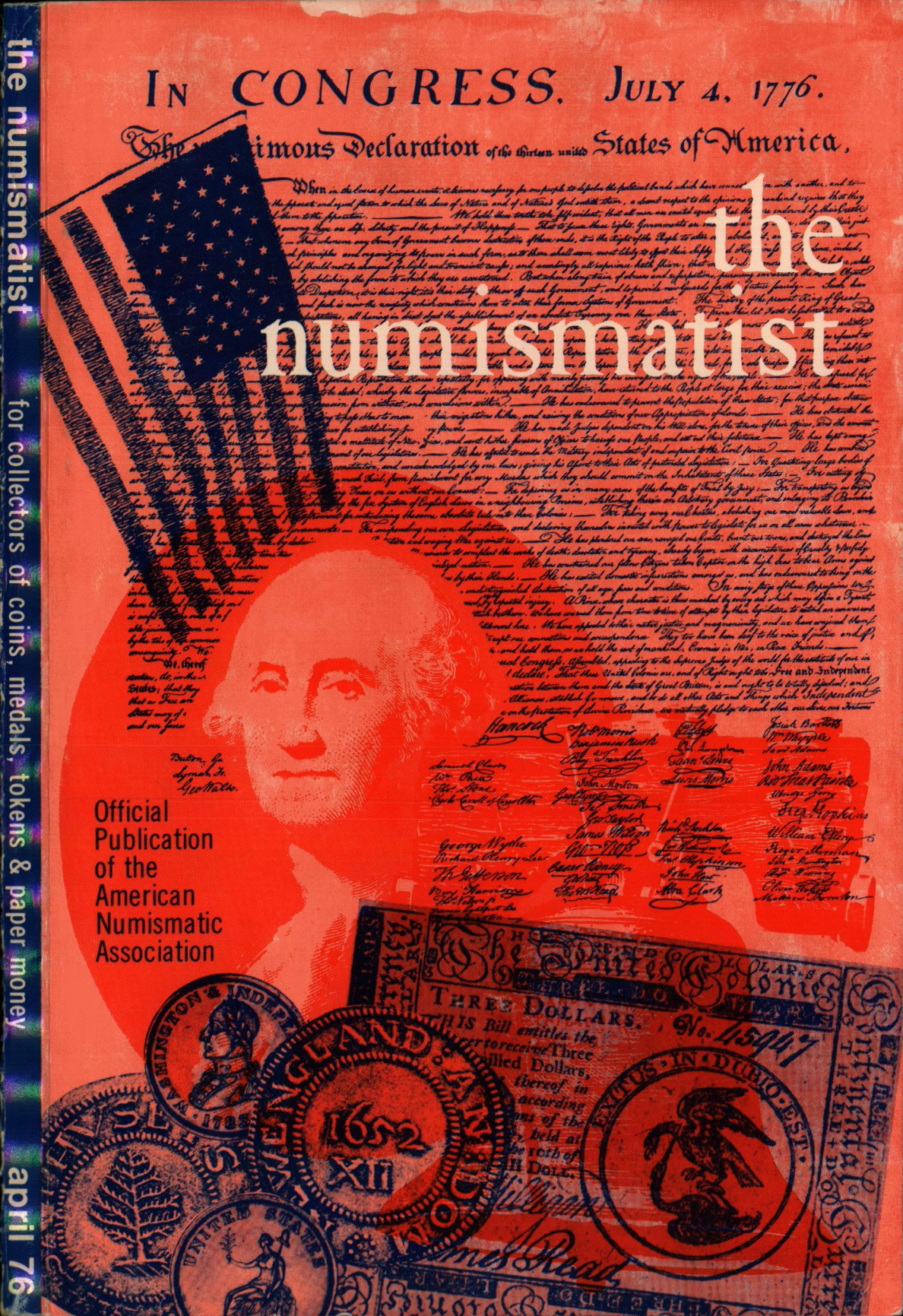
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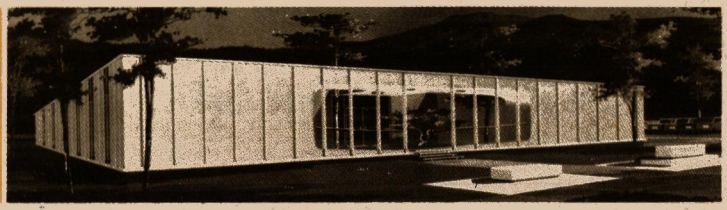
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Ever since its first discovery, gold has fascinated Man, and down through the ages it has been accepted as the mainstay of monetary exchange. When the United States was still in infancy, Congress proposed the use of gold in its higher denomination coinage, knowing the pieces would be acceptable to the Colonists, but almost fifty-seven years passed before the gold double eagle made its debut. This denomination, proposed primarily as a convenient means of storing and handling the precious metal in the banking system, saw diversified and heavy use during its existence. Private assaying firms in the vast territories of the West were even called upon to issue the $20 gold piece in order to fulfill the needs of the pioneers. Eventually, however, the advent of the Great Depression of the 1930s and a new era of rational thinking caused the coin's demise, and the majestic double eagle disappeared from the American scene. Only the forethought of numismatists of the past and the future will preserve these auriferous discs of commerce for generations to come.

James Longacre and the First Double Eagle

The first inclination towards creating a twenty dollar denomination gold coin in America occurred on December 21, 1836. An article appearing in the Philadelphia Ledger on that date urged the coining of such a piece. It stressed the point that twenty dollars in silver coin was a cumbersome lot to carry in a pocket, but in gold coin it would be more practical. However, nothing more was said about this subject until over a decade had passed.

With the discovery of vast gold deposits in California in 1848, the economic scene changed almost overnight and new life was given to the gold interest factions in America. They emphasized that a double eagle-sized gold piece would be most useful in storing and transacting these large amounts of gold in a convenient form. In this way gold faction lobbyists influenced key personnel in the government, including many prominent Congressmen and Senators.

The "bureaucratic ball" began rolling when Charles Atherton, a Democratic Senator from New Hampshire with an impressive legislative record, introduced a bill into the Senate on February 1, 1849. It called for the coining of a one dollar gold coin, with an amendment summoning issuance of a twenty dollar gold piece as well. On the 20th of that month James McKay (Dem.-N.C.), the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, presented similar legislation to the House of Representatives after conferring with Atherton. McKay figured that the amendment might have a better chance of passage if it was introduced simultaneously with Atherton's bill. Debate produced the expected objections to the twenty dollar denomination, the main one being the unfounded thinking that this heavy coin would be more prone to abrasion and wear than lower denominations. McKay countered their arguments with the defensive statement that the Mint was obliged to pay out whatever denominations depositers requested. If nobody asked for double eagles, none would be struck. Joseph Ingersoll, a Whig Representative, stated that the two proposed denominations in gold would require additional machinery and labor, and might disrupt the "happy organization" of the Mint.

This was typical of the Congressional oratory and discussion that ensued. An attempt to table the bill by opponents failed by a vote of 127 to 37, and so the bill carried along with the double eagle amendment. The legislation was then referred to Atherton's Senate Finance Committee. His committee reported favorably on the bill, but, with interest lagging, no further action was taken by the full Senate until Saturday, March 3rd. Debate lasted until the next day, that day being the final one of the current session of the 30th Congress.

A Brief History of the Double Eagle

and its Sister Territorial Gold Issues



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President James K. Polk signed into law the Gold Coinage Act of March 3, 1849.

Likewise, it was the last day in office for President James Polk and for many of the Congressmen, among whom were Atherton, McKay and Ingersoll. Whether because of sincere interest or the lack of it, the measure finally passed in the Senate and was returned to the House for its final vote. With only hours remaining the House concurred on the bill and sent it to the President for his approval. Later that day the final step was completed when President Polk signed into law the Gold Coinage Act of March 3, 1849.

James Longacre, the chief engraver of the Mint since 1844, completed a pair of dies for the new double eagle in December 1849, after experimenting with many designs and models. The likeness of his Miss Liberty on the obverse was posed for by his daughter Sarah. These dies were rejected by the chief coiner at the Mint, Franklin Peale; his primary objection being that "the impression cannot be brought up by the usual coining process." He added that the projection of the head was so high as to prevent the coins from stacking and expose it to excessive wear. It was later discovered by the eminent numismatic scholar, Walter Breen, that the impression was, in his opinion, acceptable and the original dies could have been used successfully. The only located specimen of this original design reposes in the Smithsonian Institution. Another 1849 double eagle was given to Secretary of the Treasury Meredith and once owned by S.K. Nagy, for a photograph of the pattern was in his collection but its whereabouts today are unknown.

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Influenced by Peale, Mint Director Patterson ordered Longacre to revise the model of the obverse and fabricate a new die. The revised set of dies was completed on January 12, 1850 but these dies were also refused by Peale because of the relative location of the eagle's head. It seems the projection of the eagle's head on the reverse was too high for the opposite point on the obverse, thus causing these areas not to strike up fully. Longacre complained to Patterson about Peale's unjust claims and the various delays caused by the coining department. Receiving no satisfaction, he proceeded on to meet with Secretary Meredith and relay his grievances. These actions eventually led to the acceptance of the master dies by Director Patterson. The Liberty Head double eagles were released into general circulation shortly after March 12, 1850, over one year after they had been authorized by law.

The twenty dollar gold piece had been in circulation ten years when Anthony Paquet, an assistant engraver at the Mint, prepared a pattern for a slightly revised reverse design. Utilizing taller, slimmer letters in UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and TWENTY D., a master die was prepared and minting began on January 5, 1861. After two pieces were coined, it was found that the reverse die was too large, in order to accommodate the taller lettering, for the obverse die. This resulted in a very narrow rim and prevented the coins from being properly stacked. It also tended to cause abnormal and premature die failure. Production was halted and word was wired to the New Orleans Mint to stop before any coins were struck. The directive to the San Francisco Mint was sent overland, because there was no telegraph facilities west of Missouri, and a result of this slow communication, 19,250 pieces were struck there before the order was received. Many were subsequently released before the dies were destroyed. These "S" mint double eagles are available in very limited numbers today.

The initial design except for the Paquet-designed reverse, saw very few changes throughout its purposeful history. The first was of a minor nature and occurred in 1859. A slight reworking of the master die of the obverse design reshaped the truncation of the neck and placed the designer's initials, JBL, farther to the left than on the second die, which was used on regular issues since 1850.

In the early months of 1866 the reverse had an addition in the form of the motto IN GOD WE TRUST placed within the circle of stars above the eagle's head. The shield on the breast of the eagle was also made more stylish. A note in the *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NUMISMATICS* of 1866 stated, "there is considerable difficulty at the Mint in putting on the coins the motto 'In God We Trust.' The officers are afraid that everybody will read it 'In Gold We Trust,' which is much nearer the fact." This reflects the influence gold had on the American scene at the time. The motto IN GOD WE TRUST, first appearing on the two cent piece in 1864, owes its presence to the strong religious sentiment bought about by the Civil War. Here again, the slow communication to San Francisco created another rarity in numismatics. The directive to include



The first double eagle variety.

the motto on the coins was slow to reach the western mint and a limited number of 1866-S double eagles have no motto on the reverse. These pieces, like the Paquet specimens, are scarce and are prized by collectors.

The only other changes in design were the complete spelling out of the denomination, replacing TWENTY D., and a slight modification in the placement of the Liberty head. This occurred in 1877. The master dies used on the obverse and reverse of this and all successive issues are classified as Longacre's fourth dies. However, this engraving was actually the work of William Barber, chief engraver after Longacre's death on January 1, 1869. William Barber was the father of Charles Barber, creator of the Barber coinage, who succeeded his father's position in the Mint upon William's death in 1879.

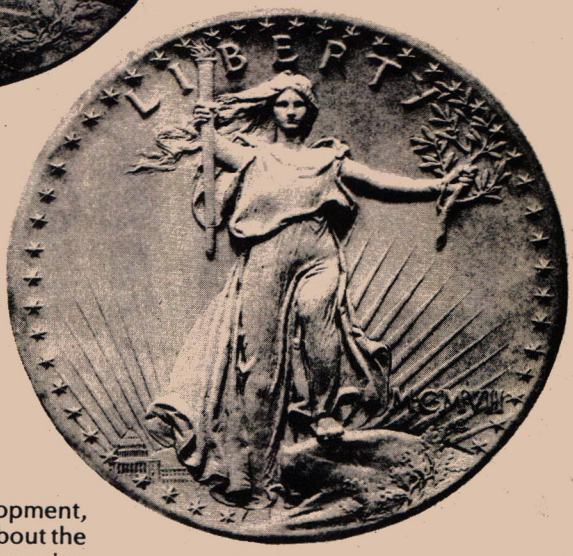
St. Gaudens Beautiful Double Eagle

The final version of Longacre's design was retired thirty years later when a new coin was adopted, the result of new thinking in a changing era. The result of this new thinking was to be the beautiful issue created by Augustus Saint Gaudens. The birth of this newly created twenty dollar gold coin followed a White House meeting between Saint Gaudens and President Theodore Roosevelt in 1905. Saint Gaudens, considered to be the Dean of American sculptors during the early twentieth century, had impressed President Roosevelt with his execution of the latter's inauguration medal earlier that year, and the President thought that the present coinage in America was "artistically of atrocious hideousness." It was his objective to issue a coin in this country that would be comparable in beauty and relief with those of ancient Greece. So he commissioned Augustus Saint Gaudens to create models for new ten and twenty dollar coins and for a one cent piece. This initiative on the part of Roosevelt was to prove precedent setting, for no one outside of the Mint had ever before designed an American coin. In the years that followed, there was a succession of new designs by recognized artists.

The motto, IN GOD WE TRUST, was added in 1866.







Saint Gaudens original models for the double eagle. The winged Liberty figure was rejected for the second version and later this was discontinued in favor of one in lower relief with arabic date.

During the coin's initial development, Saint Gaudens was concerned about the singularly frustrating laws concerning what might and might not appear on United States coins. His primary objective was simplicity, and the lettering on the coin constituted an infringement on his designs. There were certain legal necessities at the time: the legend, LIBERTY; the motto, E PLURIBUS UNUM; the inscription, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; the date and denomination; and thirteen stars representing the original colonies. However, there was no legal basis for the motto, IN GOD WE TRUST. Therefore, it was omitted from the designs.

The original model was that of a standing figure of Miss Liberty in a long flowing Greek gown, a winged lady complemented by an Indian headdress of feathers and bearing a torch and shield. His idea was to make the design a living thing and symbol of progress. Later on in the design state however, all but Liberty holding a torch in her right hand was rejected as unsuitable. This standing figure was modeled after a Swedish lady. As for the reverse, the initial concept was the product of seventy drawings and sketches of a standing eagle. Another design later contemplated was that of a bust of Liberty wearing an Indian headdress for the obverse, posed for by Miss Alice Butler,

and a flying eagle on the reverse. (A unique example of this pattern struck in gold is designated by J. Hewitt Judd as #1776.) This obverse along with the standing eagle reverse was finally adopted for the new ten dollar gold coin. It was later learned that the President, who apparently restricted Saint Gaudens somewhat by his suggestions, evidently preferred the standing Liberty and flying eagle motif which was adopted for the new double eagle. The flying eagle concept was transferred from Saint Gaudens' one cent pattern which was rejected by Roosevelt.

Owing to Saint Gaudens' ill health, Henry Hering, his chief assistant, executed the first of the standing Liberty models under his directions. The nine inch plaster model was in ultra-high relief, much in the style of the medals and sculptures Saint Gaudens had created in the past. Hering created the model in such a high projection because he assumed that the Mint had a Janvier reducing lathe in its possession. This machine had the excellent capabilities to deliver the results which Hering's design required. The Mint, as he later found out, had a forty year old Hill reducing machine, purchased in September 1867. Saint Gaudens dispatched the model to the President, and on December 20, 1906, Roosevelt replied with the comment that the new design was "simply splendid." He closed





Victory head models by Saint Gaudens originally intended for the cent, the sculptor's initial concept and a revision with Indian headdress added by insistence of President Roosevelt. This design was finally adopted as the ten dollar obverse with the legend deleted.



Saint Gaudens preliminary sketch for double eagle.

with the remark, "I suppose I'll be impeached for it in Congress, but I shall regard that as a very cheap payment."

After completion of the model and its return by Roosevelt in early 1907, Henry Hering took it to the Mint's chief engraver, Charles Barber. At first Barber refused to make dies from it, complaining of the ultra-high relief. But after an explanation by Hering, he agreed to fabricate a pair of dies. It was Hering's intention to have a few trial specimens struck to dtermine what modifications might be needed in the coin's projection in future development. In the meantime, Hering returned to his studio and prepared models in lower relief. When the master dies of the initial design were completed and test strikes performed, it was found that the normal one blow on the 172 ton hydraulic medal press would only raise about one half of the coin's detail. With each subsequent stroke of the dies a few more of the design's features were brought up, and finally, after nine blows, the full detail appeared. Because he thought it too impractical and time consuming to produce for general circulation, Barber rejected this model, the Ultra-High Relief issue. (This pattern, of which either 22 or 24 were struck, is designated by Judd as #1778.)

In the interim, Hering had completed his second model and returned to the Philadelphia Mint. Dies from this model were created in May, but were also found to be impractical and unsuitable. The relief was still too high in Barber's opinion. Hering blamed the results of the test strikes on the poor quality reductions from the Hill reducing lathe. Complaining about its inferior quality, Hering relayed his opinions to Saint





The flying eagle model by Saint Gaudens was originally intended for the cent, but ultimately used as the twenty dollar reverse. The standing eagle model adopted for the ten dollar reverse was originally intended for the double eagle.

Gaudens, who, in turn, persuaded the President to purchase a Janvier machine. On Roosevelt's insistence, the Mint acquired one in the late spring of 1907.

Meanwhile, Saint Gaudens' health had grown worse and the President was informed. Concerned about this and the lack of progress in the issuing of the new coin, the President dispatched an order to begin production. Meanwhile Hering had completed yet another model of the same design in much lower relief than the second one, but Barber again rejected it because of the high projection. Barber wrote to Mint Superintendent Landis that the relief of this model, like the two previous, "didn't conform to the mechanical requirement of modern coinage." Primarily, he was referring to his feeling that the detail of the design could not be brought out with one blow of the dies, as was usual for general circulation coinage, plus the dies were not compatable with the coining presses. Barber, therefore, revised this third model to suit his needs by greatly reducing the relief and substituting Arabic numerals for the Roman date.





High relief, roman numeral dated Saint Gauden's double eagle.

Even though this end product is still a remarkable thing to behold, in my opinion his rendition destroyed much of the standing Liberty's aesthetic beauty and medallic charm.

The Mint was reluctant about using any of Saint Gaudens' previous models for the coinage, as the hierarchy protested and conplained about the feasibility of such an undertaking. But the President held to his convictions and reiterated his directive to commence the coining, even if it took all day just to strike one coin! At this time, November 22, Barber was still in the process of making dies of his revised low relief design. So out of haste and some confusion, the lesser of two evils, in the Mint's opinion, was chosen for striking: the second model or High Relief as it is known today.

The new double eagles were struck on the slower medal presses because they could accommodate the high projection of the dies. The faster, more efficient coining presses could not. Requiring an average of five blows of the dies per coin, the new twenty dollar gold coins were placed into circulation around the first week of December 1907. Five hundred were distributed to the Boston area and five pieces were sent to any bank that requested them. However, the supply soon dwindled and the demand increased to such a degree that the coin's value soon commanded a premium price. The tragedy of the success was that Augustius Saint Gaudens, the genius of this artistic creation, never lived to see the result of his efforts. He died at his home in New Hampshire in August of 1907.

After the release of the coins, many complaints filtered into the Mint. Apparently, many people had some difficulty reading the Roman numeral date, MCMVII. Banks and other financial institutions claimed that the coins would not stack properly, a basic fundamental for their use in such places. This was because the center of the coin was higher than the rims. In the meantime, Barber had completed the die work on the third model and coinage struck from them replaced the High Reliefs in late 1907 or January 1908. This time it was Henry Hering's turn to complain. He felt that this revision to his work and the reductions obtained from the Janvier lathe were inferior to their planned appearance. Apparently, this was due in part to Barber's unfamiliarity with the machine's capabilities, for Hering had secured three superior reductions of the new ten dollar coin from Mr. Janvier. In the end, Hering's protests were to no avail and production continued.

These double eagles were not in circulation long before they were criticized as well. Many people were offended by the deliberate omission of the motto, IN GOD WE TRUST. President Roosevelt's own feeling concerning the religious phrase was that he did not approve of it on coinage. He felt it came "dangerously close to sacrilege." He had "never heard any human being speaking reverently of this motto on the coins or show any sign of its having appealed to any high emotion in him." This motto was also the subject of some levity in the political cartoons of the day. Nevertheless, on March 16, 1908, the House of Representatives, under public pressure, passed the recommendation to restore the phrase by a vote of 255 to



Saint Gaudens double eagle, arabic numerals with motto.

5. (The motto was designated as the United States National Motto in 1956.) Thirty days after President Roosevelt reluctantly acquiesced and signed the measure it became law, and all double eagles minted after July 1 had the motto on them.

The only other design change on this coinage was of a minor nature. Previous to 1912 there had been 46 stars around the obverse border representing the states. However, New Mexico and Arizona joined the Union in early 1912, so two more stars were appropriately added to the design that year.

Ironically, a cousin of the President who was so instrumental in the creation of this alluring coin caused their demise. President Franklin Roosevelt implemented the legislation creating the Gold Reserve Act of January 30, 1934, and this law abolished the minting of gold coins in the United States. Millions upon millions of double eagles, along with other gold coins, were retrieved from circulation and melted during the "gold purge" that followed. This left relatively few coins for collectors, in contrast to the mintage figures. Curiously, the twenty dollar gold coin series which started with the uniquely unobtainable 1849 specimen ended in similar fashion in 1933. The double eagles minted that year are also "unobtainable," for they were never officially released for circulation. (Quotes are used here because some specimens of this date evidently found their way out of the Mint in early 1933.) Thereby, they are illegal to own to this day.

Following is part of the speech President Theodore Roosevelt gave at an exhibition of Saint Gaudens' work at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., on December 15, 1907. It personifies, in my opinion, the tribulations encountered during his coin's initial release.

> "...Saint Gaudens gave us for the first time a beautiful coinage, a coinage worthy of this country, a coinage not yet properly appreciated, but up to which both the official and popular mind will in the end grow. The first few thousands of the Saint Gaudens gold coins are, I believe, more beautiful than any coins since the days of the Greeks, and they achieve their striking beauty because Saint Gaudens not only possessed a perfect mastery in the physical address of his craft, but also a daring and original imagination".

These double eagles, the largest coins ever produced officially for circulation by the United States government, have long since disappeared from the channels of trade. But they will remain in the hearts and minds of Americans for generations to come thanks to the dedication and forethought of numismatists in our past.

Territorial Gold

In addition to the official government issues of the twenty dollar denomination, a great variety of gold pieces of double eagle value were struck by private individuals during the early days of settlement in the western territories. The first appearance of the twenty dollar gold coin debuted in Utah when the Mormon community constructed a mint to coin its money. This area was called the State of the Deseret (the latter



The Mormon twenty dollar coin was the first of that denomination to be coined in this country.

meaning "honey bee"), by the Mormons. Brigham Young, the leader of this religious sect, instigated the coinage system with Thomas Bullock as mint director and James Barlow as die engraver. When production of this gold coin began in September 1849, there was no effort made to assay the gold, because there was no one connected with the mint capable of doing so. Consequently the Mormons based the value of their native gold on the purity of California gold which was brought back to their land by a few enterprising Mormons. All of the issues minted from gold obtained from the Salt Lake area were of lesser purity than coins made from the gold of California, even though equal in weight. This oversight was eventually corrected, but not before some commercial losses were sustained.

The Morman twenty dollar gold piece was the first minted in the United States and, in fact, the only coin of that date and denomination available to collectors. The design is symbolic of their religious emblems. The obverse contains a bishop's hat above an all-seeing eye and HOLINESS TO THE LORD appears around the border. On the reverse is a pair of clasped hands with the date beneath. G.S.L.C.P.G. (Great Salt Lake City Pure Gold) and TWENTY DOLLARS appear around the border. The average weight is 71.5 grains lower than the official U.S. double eagle's weight of 516 grains.

With the discovery of gold in the California area in 1848, a great influx of people into the territory, as well as an extravagant economy, resulted. Following this an unusual situation developed concerning the main exchange of business. Gold dust was used for money by all, but was not standard in value and quality. The Custom House in San Francisco, by law, could only accept legal coin as payment for duties as the Act of August 6, 1846, decreed that, "...all duties, taxes, sales of public lands ... due to the United States shall be paid in gold and silver coin only." Every piece of coined money available was hoarded by importers to pay these duties, and this created a great scarcity of currency in the ordinary channels of trade. When this became evident, local merchants began importing huge quantities of gold and silver for use in the area, but they suffered heavy losses on exchange rates.

Considering that fact and the dwindling supply of foreign specie, leading citizens petitioned Military Governor Mason for the right to coin the desperately needed money. At first, he consented, but later revoked his permission, fearing reprisals from the federal government. The frustrated businessmen then took matters into their own hands and proposed that private assayers issue gold pieces.

The first California firm to issue a twenty dollar coin for circulation was Baldwin and Company, composed of G. Baldwin and T. Holman. In April 1850, they bought out the Pacific Company of San Francisco. After production began, specimens of their coinage, along with two other firms, were sent to Augustus Humbert, the United States Assayer in San Francisco, for assaying by James King of William. King, attaching the "William" to his name to avoid confusion with a namesake in his homestate of Maryland, had coining aspirations of his own and tried to discredit other assayers to lessen the competition. The results of the assay report showed that Baldwin and Company's double eagles averaged a fineness of only 871 thousands gold and had an intrinsic value of only $19.40. This report, plus the fact that the firm refused to redeem its own issues, except at a 5% discount, brought forth a storm of indignant comments from citizens. Baldwin and Company's gold coins were no longer accepted, and they found it to

their advantage to leave the territory.

The obverse of the Baldwin and Co. issue is similar to the U.S. issue, except LIBERTY is replaced by BALDWIN. The reverse is also similar, except SMV. (Standard Mint Value) CALIFORNIA GOLD replaced UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. The dies were engraved by Albert Kuner, and a wax impression of the first piece struck is still extant.

James King of William never produced any coinage of his own, probably because of public distrust in private mints, a situation he helped create. However, he did issue twenty dollar ingots prior to the Humbert report. On the obverse, in three lines reads, JAS. KING/OF/WILLIAM & CO. On the reverse, in three lines is, CALIFORNIA/GOLD/20 DOLLARS. Like those issued by Baldwin, these were struck in 1851.

Businessmen during this time began redeeming the coins of several private mints at bullion value. This caused many individuals to stress the need for an official government assay office in order to establish a standardization for the gold coinage of the new state. After much debate and delay, Congress authorized the creation of an official assay office on September 30, 1850, with Augustus Humbert as assayer.

The assay office was a temporary expedient to accommodate Californians until the establishment of a permanent branch mint could be completed and the firm of Moffat and Company became the assay contractors because of its well-established reputation. At this point, the firm abandoned their private issues and took up the exclusive work of minting fifty dollar "slugs" in February of 1851. The "slug" derived its name from its use along with other heavy articles, when wrapped in cloth, to put an individual in a semi-state of unconsciousness. Robbers would then relieve the unfortunate person of his valuables.

The refusal of local merchants to receive the private issues except at bullion value, rapidly sent these pieces to the assay office melting pot, only to reappear as fifty dollar gold pieces. This



1853 twenty dollar gold issue.

forced retirement of the small denominations left nothing for local circulation except the cumbersome slugs. United States issues acceptable for payment of duties were hoarded as before. The situation became so difficult that in April Moffat and Company urged the Secretary of the Treasury, Thomas Corwin, to permit them to issue denominations of less than fifty dollars. This request and the many that followed were refused as "inexpedient." The disastrous effect on business throughout California became common complaint among merchants.

Finally, in February of the following year, the United States Assay Office received the authority needed to issue ten dollar and twenty dollar "ingots." These coins were referred to as "ingots" because they were not considered official government issues. When permission was received to strike them late in 1851, Humbert apparently ordered the engraving of dies for the twenty dollar denomination. However, this permission was almost immediately withdrawn for unknown reasons. When final authority was granted in February of 1852, the contractors instructed the engraver to sink a "2" over the "1" to facilitate matters, thus creating an over-

date 1852/1. Meanwhile, in late December of 1851, Moffat and Company had reorganized, with John Moffat leaving early the following year. The contract for assaying and smelting gold was transfered to a new firm known as the United States Assay Office of Gold with the new owners being the former partners of Moffat — J. Curtis, P.H.W. Perry and S. Ward.

In the fall of 1852 the ingots of the assay office were suddenly refused at the Custom House by Collector T. Butler King. At the time, their issues represented the larger portion of California's circulating currency, and their primary use had been for payment of custom duties. Apparently, Secretary Corwin had ordered the ingots refused because they were of a lower fineness than United States coins of the same value. It was suggested that the fineness be changed from 884 thousands to 900 thousands, and thus conform to the same gold standard as the U.S. issues. Agreeing, the assay office began striking the new ingots in early 1853.

These pieces were struck until the end of that year, when on December 14 the U.S. Assay Office of Gold ceased its operations. Curtis and Perry went on to help build the branch mint, which began operations on April 15, 1854. Appropriately, the first coins struck there were twenty dollar gold pieces.

The design for the assay office issue differs from those of the regular U.S. issues. The same eagle as on the fifty dollar slug appears on the obverse, except that it holds an olive branch in its left talon and arrows in its right. Around the border is the inscription UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and TWENTY D. The eagle holds a ribbon reading LIBERTY in its beak. Above is a scroll containing the fineness 884 THOUS. On the later 1853 issues, the fineness reads 900 THOUS. The reverse is of an engine-turned design, probably resulting from the fact that Humbert had been an expert watchcase maker in New York, and made this design similar to them. In the center is a rectangular tablet, upon which reads, in four lines, AUGUSTUS HUMBERT / UNITED STATES ASSAYER / OF GOLD CALIFORNIA 1852. On the 1853 issues, the tablet reads, in four lines, UNITED STATES ASSAY / OFFICE OF GOLD / SAN FRANCISCO / CALIFORNIA. 1853.

It is the opinion of many, including me, that the issues of the U.S. Assay Office should be considered regular government issues, for these do contain the inscription, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

After Moffat and Company reorganized, curiously a twenty dollar gold coin was struck bearing the company's stamp. This particular issue has been attributed to the then current operators of the United States Assay Office of Gold — Curtis, Perry and Ward. Moffat had retired from the minting business and ventured into a diving bell enterprise but apparently he relinquished the use of his name to his former partners. The coins are dated 1853, the first being struck in July of that year. The design is similar to the regular U.S. issue, except LIBERTY is replaced by MOFFAT & CO on the obverse, and SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA replaces UNITED STATES OF AMERICA on the reverse.

After being employed at the U.S. Assay Office, John Kellogg and G.F. Richter formed their own business. In January of 1854, a growing scarcity of gold coins with which to carry on ordinary trade again became apparent. The San Francisco Mint had not opened and no private issues were being struck. Therefore, after requests from local merchants, Kellogg and Company began issuing twenty dollar gold pieces on February 9. Enormous amounts were struck to fulfill the demand for coined money. Even when the infant San Francisco Mint had begun operations, few pieces were struck due to the lack of silver, and lack of acids for alloying and refining purposes.

In the latter part of 1854, Augustus Humbert, the former U.S. Assayer, replaced Richter as a partner. The firm struck twenty dollar gold coins through 1855, when it ceased the coining of gold. The company remained as an assaying business until 1860, having been credited with striking $6,000,000 worth



Moffat & Co. 1853 twenty dollar issue.

of gold $20 pieces during its existence. A large consignment of these were lost, however, when a steamer sailing for New York sank in the Pacific Ocean. The design is similar to the regular U.S. issue, except KELLOGG & CO replaces LIBERTY on the obverse, and SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA replaced UNITED STATES OF AMERICA on the reverse. The master dies are said to still be in existence, their whereabouts unknown.

The firm of Wass, Molitor and Company began its operations on November 19, 1851, formed by Count S.C. Wass and A.P. Molitor. In 1855, they began striking twenty dollar denominations, as apparently they felt there was a need for coinage in California because the San Francisco Mint was not supplying the needed quantity of coins for the state. However, this denomination was not struck in great quantities by this firm, and the pieces are quite scarce. The issue was of the same fineness as regular U.S. issues and was confidently received throughout California.

The design contains two distinct varieties. On the obverse the Liberty head distinguishes the difference. There is a large head, similar to the U.S. issue, and a small head. On the coronet reads WM & CO. The reverse contains a small eagle with extended wings, grasping an olive branch in its left talon and arrows in its right. Above, a scroll containing 900THOUS and around the border, SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA and TWENTY DOL.

Around the same time, the firm of Blake and Company, composed of Blake and Agnell, issued a twenty dollar denomination coin in limited quantities. The mint at San Francisco was still operating on a limited basis by 1856. Regular issues of the United States government had become very scarce and all private issues had ceased to be struck the year before. There was talk of the resumption of issues by individual assayers, which no doubt led Blake to prepare dies for a new twenty dollar issue. However, except for the few struck in 1855, no coins were ever struck for circulation. Apparently, the regular U.S. issues had in the interim filled the void of coined money in California.

The obverse of this issue contains a coining press. Below that are 20 DOLLS. and 1855. Around the border reads SAC. CALIFORNIA GOLD. The reverse contains a target design with a 20 in the center. Around the border is BLAKE & CO. ASSAYERS. The pattern issue of 1856 is similar to the regular U.S. issue, except the coronet of Miss Liberty contains BLAKE & CO, and the reverse border



Kellogg & Company twenty dollar issue of 1854.



Wass, Molitor & Company twenty dollar piece.

reads SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA.

There are three remaining pattern issues of California assayers that are of interest because they contain the twenty dollar denomination.

Little is known about the Cincinnati Mining and Trading Company. During their cross-country journey, they were forced to abandon most of their equipment, and almost left the coining apparatus behind. It is likely that the pieces struck by them in 1849 were simply trial specimens of a proposed design. For some reason, they abandoned the idea of coining money.

It is believed that the series issued by the San Francisco State of California firm in 1851 was struck by an English mining company. The $20 denomination in this series is usually found in sets containing a $2 1/2, $5 and $10 patterns of similar design.

The design issued with the inscription CALIFORNIA GOLD MINES on it is thought to have been the work of San Francisco pioneer engraver, W. Lemme. However, there have been opposing opinions expressed to the effect that because it has no stated value stamped on it, these pieces were tokens used extensively in California gambling halls. Others feel that this was a proposed design for coinage purposes in 1850.

Before we leave California, I would like to briefly mention the gambling tokens. These are markers dated 1847-1849 of the ten and twenty dollar size. The chief currency circulating during that period was gold dust, so these tokens were a convenient form of money for the gambler's needs. They are usually found with an American flag and CALIFORNIA on one side, combined with either the obverse or reverse of the regular U.S. issue facsimile.

An ever-increasing amount of gold input from Colorado during the 1859 gold rush created a need for a convenient form of handling it. The firm of A. Clark, E. Gruber and M. Clark was one of the largest purchasers of gold dust in the territory. Being located in Kansas, however, they incurred great expense and risk in transporting the gold, and so they constructed a mint in Denver to facilitate their needs as well as the local population. The first year of its operation, 1860, saw coins being struck from virgin dust without alloying. This made their issues purer than those of the federal government. The following year the coins were alloyed, but were still left with greater fineness. The reason for this was simply to compensate for the eventual wear incurred during their circulation. These gold pieces were understandably accepted by the citizens of Colorado.

In the latter part of 1861, the people of Denver petitioned for the establishment of a mint to meet their rising needs for coined money. At this time in history, the Civil War was demanding the attention of Congress, but after some respite, the government purchased the building and machinery from Clark, Gruber and Company for a federal mint. Congress changed its mind, however, and converted the property into a regional assay office. The citizens of Denver and Colorado had to wait until 1906 for the mint they desired.

The twenty dollar issues of Clark, Gruber and Company have two distinct designs. The issue of 1860 has a view of Pikes Peak on the obverse, with PIKES



The Clark, Gruber & Co. twenty dollar issues.

PEAK GOLD above, and DENVER and TWENTY D. below. On the reverse is an eagle with extended wings and a shield on its breast. In its left talon is an olive branch. In its right talon are arrows. Around the border is CLARK, GRUBER & CO and the date. The issue of 1861 is similar to the regular U.S. issue, with PIKES PEAK in the coronet and CLARK, GRUBER & CO. DENVER around the reverse border.

Two other Colorado firms issued the twenty dollar denomination in coined form. John Parsons was an assayer who operated in the South Park area at the Tarryall Mines. He issued ingots similar in fashion to James King of William in California. The Denver City Assay Office was a mint that may or may not have gone into the coining business in 1860. The only known specimens of this company are uniface copper patterns or tokens of some kind or another.

Congress put an end to all these romantic territorial pieces when they passed a law on April 2, 1864, prohibiting individuals from coining money in any form, and only government issued double eagles were then allowed in circulation. Territorial gold had served its purpose well, providing the pioneers with money for economic exchange and growth, until the day came when the expanding technology of the eastern United States finally made the vital link with its western territories and could offer it a permanent standard of monetary exchange.

St. Gauden's magnificent double eagle continued its wide use in circulation up until 1933, when in anticipation of the Gold Reserve Act of January 1934, all gold pieces were taken out of circulation and melted down. The Gold Reserve Act abolished the minting of gold coins and put an end to the history of the double eagle, but even if the day came when a gold twenty dollar issue was again released by the United States, it is unlikely it could ever surpass in beauty the graceful and powerful aesthetics of the St. Gaudens.

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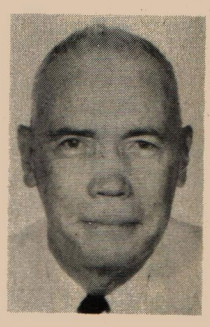
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"The-buck-stops-here!" Department...

You win some . . . and you lose some!



At the ANA's February 17th board meeting, one of my campaign platform planks ... modified to require a mandatory two years' "sit out" after a governor will have served eight consecutive years on the board ... squeaked through passage on a 5-to-4 vote, Governors Hallenbeck, Johnson, Reed, and Smedley joining me to put it across. That's a step in the right direction, to insure opening the board to new ideas, and making all future ANA boards more responsive to the membership which pays the bills.

■ **But we lost on the other two planks, one to elect governors for staggered terms, and, the second, to elect to numbered seats on the board.**

For the life of me, I still can't understand why some of the board so greatly fear those last two election reforms ... reforms which have proved so effective in so many hundreds of instances over so many years! But I promised the board I'd still try again to put across those last two planks.

■ One election reform ... to give the vote to ANA Junior Members ...was introduced by Governor Hallenbeck, passing by 8-to-1, Governor Adna Wilde casting the only vote against it.

■ To give the ANA Membership a voice on any substantive change in the by-laws, Governor Smedley received unanimous support for his motion to publish such proposed by-law change in two issues of *The Numismatist* before the ANA board can vote on it.

■ "Who's on the ANA grading board?" That's a question often put to me lately. "Nobody!" is the correct answer.

Last August I handed to Abe Kosoff the Herculean chore of delivering to me "The finished product" ... a detailed "roadmap" for a complete grading program, including the manuscript and illustrations for a textbook outlining each feasible gradation of wear on each USA coin. Prior to Abe accepting the task ... which has been consuming 95% of Abe's time for the past several months ... seemingly everybody and his brother somehow got into the act, and we had more ideas on grading than Heinz had pickles.

No deadline did I ask Abe to meet. Whether it'll be next month or next year, I know that Abe will come up with the most fair, most clear, most practical plan possible. And then, and then only, will a grading board be named!

In the meantime, I want to emphasize that there now is no ANA grading board, nor any member thereof!

■ Recently two non-collector national advertising men were surprised when I said that ANA has only a scant 30,000 members out of the million-plus coin collectors in this country. Their suggestion of a public relations campaign is good ... except that we have no cash for such a drive. So, ANA must depend on YOU to bring in at least one new member in April!

Sincerely yours,

Virgil Hancock

Maximilian, An Epic of The New World



So far as Europe is concerned, life in the Western Hemisphere began when Columbus made his great voyage of discovery. And like so many other daring voyages made during this period, the great imperialistic motive outshined all others: every square mile of this strange and foreboding land was to belong to the great European Monarchs, and anyone who migrated there, did so at the pleasure of their European rulers, as colonists for the fatherland. Colonialism was the name of the game.

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This mode of living was to continue for almost three hundred years, until something rather spectacular happened. A large number of disgruntled English colonists, resting on the theory that "taxation without representation is unjust," simply declared to the world (or to Europe, in essence) that they were free and independent. Most European countries, including England, laughed at this unbelievable bit of effrontery, and the English sent enough forces across the Atlantic to subdue these renegades.

A year, more or less, was the expected time necessary for the subjugation, with a few more months for mopping up operations. But this optimistic timetable did not materialize. And after six or seven years, General Cornwallis and his cohorts threw in the sponge and returned home, a badly defeated army.

The New World had a new hero, the United States of America, and if they could operate as a free and independent country, why couldn't the other colonists do likewise? And so began throughout the world the struggle for independence against the shackles of colonialism. As of today there are only a few outposts in the New World which remain under the colonial wing of a mother country, and in most cases they are remaining so of their own free will.

After nearly three hundred years of increasing colonial domination by the European powers, the tide was turned in favor of increasing independence for the new nations ... but for two exceptions. Within that last two hundred years, there have been two empires modeled principally along European lines and stocked with European aristocrats formed in the Western Hemisphere. One, and a very successful one at that, existed in Brazil from 1822 to 1889, until the eventual failure of Pedro II to solve a bitter slavery issue caused its collapse. The other, which is the subject of this discourse, is the short-lived, tragedy-struck Mexican Empire, in existance merely three years, from 1864 to 1867.

Maximilian and the Mexican Empire

Our story of this brief empire in Mexico begins, in a way, with Napoleon I. Napoleon, like Henry VIII and other rulers before him, had one overwhelming passion in life: to beget a male heir. With a male heir to rule over his vast domain it mattered not what happened to him, for he would live on even in death.

Now Napoleon loved Josephine with a great passion, but it was not a passion which could compete with his ultimate need for a male heir, and unfortunately no male issue resulted between their union. The fault of the matter was evidently Josephine's, since Napoleon had seen success with his mistresses, and so, like Katherine of Castile, Josephine was divorced.

For Napoleon, any new Empress could only be of the highest aristocracy, someone whose irreproachable heredity could be welded to his masterful achievements. He therefore decided that it should be the Archduchess Marie Louise, daughter of Austrian Emperor Francis. This was blue blood at its best — a Habsburg, truly Europe's most aristocratic and famous family.

The union was a successful one. Nine months after the marriage, Francois made his appearance. To Napoleon this was the ultimate. Young Francois literally spent every minute with his father, and he was as attached to Napoleon as Napoleon was to his son. But this strong pater-filial relationship was to last less than three years. Both Elba and Waterloo beckoned, and the two never saw each other again. Francois was moved to the Austrian court and was never permitted to leave the immediate area. Although he lived only slightly past his twenty-first birthday, succumbing to consumption, he enjoyed six years of an almost idyllic love, or perhaps infatuation is a better word for it.

When only fifteen years of age, young Francis (his Austrian name) took a fancy to Sophia, the twenty-one year old bride of the Archduke Francis Charles, the younger brother of the Crown

Prince, Archduke Ferdinand. As it became evident that the latter would have no heirs, the rule of Austria passed to the male children of Sophia. Francis Joseph was her first male child and he became Austria's emperor in 1848, a reign which continued for 68 years, the second longest reign ever for a European ruler. (Louis XIV was King of France for 72 years.) But it was her second son, Ferdinand Maximilian Joseph, that interests us.

Sophia was terribly unhappy in her marriage. Francis Charles was stupid, weak, a total nonentity. Sophia was a clever girl, though quite uneducated as was the custom of the day for females. (However, it should be noted that girls of high aristocratic rank had to speak several languages as their husbands might be of any nationality.) The rest of the Austrian court interested Sophia, a Bavarian by birth, very little, but she did find a soulmate in one person in Vienna — young Francis, the only son of Napoleon. Though six years older at an age when six years could be almost a generation (fifteen compared to twenty-one), their mutual attraction was almost instantaneous. Francis had matured early, and at fifteen he was already six feet tall. Always dressed in a military uniform, tall (much taller than his father), handsome, and possessing an engaging personality, it is little wonder that Sophia, who despised her husband and had little in common with the rest of the court, took a fancy to young Francis.

Francis saw Sophia every day, sitting by her while she played the piano. They talked incessantly. It was to the Archduchess Sophia that Francis spoke of his father, and she encouraged him to do this. (His guardian absolutely forbade him to ever mention the name of Napoleon. Nor would they ever speak the name to him.)

In October of 1831, Sophia found herself pregnant. Francis, extremely consumptive, died only a few days before Sophia gave birth to her second child. When told of his death, Sophia fainted and was unconscious for hours. Her life was despaired for. Though she recovered and gave birth to Ferdinand Maximilian Joseph, it was said that she never really smiled again. Little wonder that the Vienna court considered Maximilian (the family always called him by his middle name) the grandson of Napoleon.

However, scholars of history have clearly disproved this belief. Maximilian, the first and only emperor in the New World, was a true Habsburg, even though his mother's best and probably only true friend was the son of Napoleon the Great.

Twenty years elapsed and another Napoleon, Charles Louis, the nephew of Napoleon the Great, became Napoleon III of France in 1852. There were three important facets of history that greatly upset Napoleon III, all of which culminated in the intervention in Mexico's internal affairs and Maximilian's role in the Mexican empire.

1. Napoleon I, in the course of his expansive conquests had gone to Egypt and had sought to take his empire on to India. He never reached India and now India was the British colony most responsible for Britain's supreme imperialistic power.
2. Napoleon I had also crippled France's position for power in the New World by selling the Louisiana Purchase to the United States.
3. The Monroe Doctrine of the United States flatly told the European nations to keep out of the affairs of the United States and other independent countries of the New World.

The Monroe Doctrine infuriated Napoleon III most of all, for he felt that by rights all the New World should belong to the old governments of Europe, and France should be reinstated in her role as a strong colonial power.

Charles Louis Napoleon Bonaparte believed that destiny had determined that he should reverse the order of things in the Western Hemisphere, and this seemed most easily accomplished by attacking the relatively weak country of Mexico and setting up a monarchial government such as presided in all

European countries. The head of this government should be an Austrian Habsburg, if for no other reason than to assuage their hurt feelings for his subduing them in the War of 1859. And surely the Mexican populace would welcome as their leader the greatest name in European ruling society, a representative of the nine hundred year old Habsburg family. Napoleon III sincerely believed all this, and oh how wrong history proved him to be.

Putting his plan into motion, he offered the throne of Mexico to the one logical choice — Maximilian, the one-time supposed grandson of Napoleon the Great. Maximilian and Carlota, his youthful wife from Belgium, accepted the opportunity with both reservations and alacrity. After all, what crown did they have to look forward to? Emperor Francis Joseph appeared healthy (he died of old age in 1916) and had male heirs of his own. Also wasn't Mexico three times larger than France and potentially richer than Austria? And the citizens of Mexico wanted him badly, to bring order out of chaos, or so he was told.

The real question was, when to strike. And the answer was simple. The impending Civil War in the United States would make this country helpless to resist the French thrust to overpower Mexico. So in October 1863 Maximilian was formally offered the crown, which had been created by France's armed intervention. Reasons for intervention were easily trumped up by Napoleon. After renouncing his imperial rights in Austria, Maximilian accepted the crown as Emperor of Mexico on April 9, 1864, and Maximilian and Carlota entered Mexico City on June 12th.

From the beginning, the experiment was doomed, for politically, strategically and economically Maximilian's position was impossible. The country was opposed to him; the liberals refused to recognize his government, though he made several attempts to conciliate them; and the conservatives and clericals were immediately alienated by his liberal measures. Financially and politically he was wholly dependent upon France, without resources with which either to pay his debts or raise armies. Nor was he, personally, fitted to cope with the problem; poor judgment, vacillation and extravagance marked his administration from the first.

During 1864 and 1865 his foreign troops reduced the country to subjection, driving the constitutional government of Juarez almost to the Rio Grande, and on October 3, 1865 he was induced to issue a decree declaring Juarez and his supporters bandits. But in December 1865, the United States, having emerged successfully from the Civil War, demanded the withdrawal of French troops from Mexico. Napoleon acceded in January 1866, and the republican forces commenced their reconquest.

The Empress Carlota went to Europe in July 1866, in a desperate attempt to re-enlist the aid of Napoleon and the Pope; she failed and the strain proved so great that she lost her mind. Carlota never returned to Mexico. Her mind, ridden at first with only partial moments of insanity, rapidly sank into total insanity. Placed in the Castle of Bouchout in Belgium in her fortieth year, she lived until the age of eighty-seven, finally dying of old age in 1927.

In October, Maximilian, determined to abdicate, fled to Orizaba. But he was prevailed upon to return, and in February 1867, he assumed personal command of his forces and transferred his headquarters from Mexico City to Queretaro, a lonely figure in the welter of intrigue, selfishness and corruption engulfing him. The last of the French forces retired in March, and on May 15th Queretaro was betrayed to the republican army. Napoleon's agents had made repeated efforts to secure Maximilian's escape, but he refused to save himself. He was court-martialled, convicted, and despite universal pleas for mercy, was shot on June 19th.

What kind of man was Maximilian? By one standard of study he was a complete failure, for he lived solely in defeat during his three years as Emperor of

Mexico. But defeat was ordained from the beginning and Maximilian had no way to foresee this. By the standards of the day his actions were proper and brave. Lord Acton, British historian, may have summed it up best when he said, "I think he was well-nigh the noblest of his race, and fulfilled the promise of his words, 'The fame of my ancestors will not degenerate in me.'"

The Role of Maximilian in Mexican Numismatics

We have already seen what a ruler's greatest passion is — to have a male heir. But there is also another passion which runs strong in the blood of rulers throughout history — to issue coin of the realm. It is the consumation of this second great passion that unconditionally, regardless of how inept, inefficient, or even insane, a ruler might be, assures him of a permanent place in history. Conversely, and with few exceptions, no matter how brilliant, no matter how exceptional the younger brothers of the Crown Prince might be, their fate is usually to become a mere footnote of history, their name forgotten.

The issuance of coins has always been the jealously guarded prerogative of the reigning sovereign or head of the state, and those few to whom he might give permission to strike money. AEthelred II (Saxon ruler of England from 978 to 1016) expressed it best, "And let no man have a moneyer, except the king."

The moment Maximilian accepted the Crown as Emperor of Mexico, he assured himself of a place in history. It mattered not how well or poorly he ruled. As the first real emperor in North America, Maximilian was destined to be an integral part of world history. Had he refused the crown, Maximilian would have been little more than a footnote of history. But with the crown came the right to issue money. And in the three short years that Maximilian ruled, 1864-67, the former Austrian showed keen interest in Mexico's numismatics.

A human interest story, and one not too kingly in character, was the interest that Maximilian took in the new coining press that first went into production on February 7, 1866. Almost like a little boy with a new toy, Maximilian gleefully witnessed the striking of the first pesos. The press had been made by Morgan, Orr & Company of Philadelphia, and was capable of striking 80 coins per minute. For this period, such a production capacity was unsurpassed anywhere and Maximilian was quick to perceive this fact. So elated was he over the perfection of this machine, that he gave verbal orders that every person working in the establishment (estimated to be several hundred) be given two one peso pieces out of the batch that he had seen struck at the mint. A typical day's labor in that time period was probably worth less than two pesos. (It is interesting to note that this same press has been in active operation in Mexico City since 1866, and it is as efficient as any other of later manufacture.)

Numismatically, Maximilian's regime is important because of the introduction of the metric system in the coinage of the country. From the time of the Spanish Conquest, Mexico had had the reales system. Then in both 1857 and 1861, the republican government of Mexico had decreed the change from reales to the decimal coinage. However, because of the French intervention little progress had been made, so it remained for Maximilian's regime to effect the complete transition to the decimal system. Thus, Maximilian was the first to issue only decimilized coins in Mexico.

Beauty of the coin was also of paramount interest to Maximilian. On April 10, 1865, when Maximilian signed a decree authorizing the coinage of the second Mexican empire, Article 12, in an effort to obtain the most beautiful design possible, made provision for a public contest to be held in the design of all denominations from the half-centavo to the twenty peso gold. The results of this contest, if actually held, have never been found in official files, and it was possibly dispensed with due to the worsening condition of Maximilian's empire in the coming months.





Figure 1
One Centavo - Copper
1864 Mexico City Mint

Mexico had eleven mints at the time of Maximilian, though only those in Mexico City, San Luis Potosi, Zacatecas, and Guanajuato were used by the imperial regime. Coins were struck in copper, silver, and gold.

Figure 1 shows the one centavo. The obverse shows the Mexican eagle, crowned, holding the proverbial snake in his beak. Two olive branches, united by a bow-knot, are below. The reverse shows date and denomination within an open wreath. It is interesting to note that the one centavo coin, dated 1864, and struck in the Mexico City mint is the only copper issue of the empire. If other dates and mints were struck, it is a matter of record that none are extant.

The silver coinage of Maximilian was struck in denominations of five, ten, fifty, and one hundred centavos pieces. The latter was called UN PESO and was to supersede the eight reales pieces.

The five and ten centavos were identical in appearance to the one centavo except for denomination, and are therefore not pictured. These denominations were struck at all four mints though not for all dates from 1864 through 1867.

The fifty centavos and one peso are substantially alike except in minor detail. On the obverse, in the field, is the bust of Maximilian, facing right; around the margin, beginning at the lower left quadrant, MAXIMILIANO EMPERADOR; beaded border. In the exergue of the one peso is a scroll bearing the names of the designers and engravers, Ocampo, Navalon and Spirito. This scroll is missing on the fifty centavos. The reverse of both shows the Mexican eagle, uncrowned, surrounded by a crowned, oval frame, bearing the inscription EQUIDAD EN LA LEY (equity within the law); ribbon ornaments at sides. The marginal inscription, upper half: IMPERIO MEXICANO; lower half: denomination, date, mint; beaded border. The fifty centavos pieces were struck only at the Mexico City mint, and the one pesos struck at all mints except Zacatecas.

The one peso has one interesting variant: small or large letters. Thus Figure 2 shows the small letters, 1866, and Mexico City mint. Figure 3 shows large letters, 1866, and Guanajuato mint.

Maximilian's gold coinage was limited solely to the 20 pesos piece, even though the April 10, 1865 decree also called for 1, 5, and 10 pesos. The only date on the coin is for the year 1866, even though some 1500 coins were struck after January 1, 1867. Rumors persist that some 20 pesos dated 1867 exist, but to date none have been authenticated.

The design of the gold pesos is the same as that of the silver pesos except for a few minor changes. The 20 gold pesos is shown by Figure 4. The lettering is the small size as shown by Figure 2. Both pieces measure 36 mm., but a period separates the date from the mint mark on the gold 20 pesos, something not included on the silver pesos.

It may be said of Maximilian that he led a strange, if not charmed, life. When he was born, the court of Vienna thought erroneously that he was the grandson of Napoleon the Great. Yet, had it not been for Napoleon III, the highly ambitious nephew of Napoleon who literally made it his passion in life to set up an empire in Mexico, Maximilian would probably have lived to a ripe old age, as did his brother Joseph. He would have attended court functions, been



Figure 2
One Peso — Silver
Small Letter Type
1866 Mexico City Mint



Figure 3
One Peso — Silver
Large Letter Type
1866 Guanajuato Mint



Figure 4
Twenty Pesos — Gold
1866 Mexico City Mint

admired by the ladies ... but he would have died a nonentity. Thanks to Napoleon III he became an emperor with the potential greatness of Europe's largest and oldest monarchies.

But the empire was doomed from the start. Maximilian ruled only for a little over three years and was shot on June 17, 1867, by Juarez, less than one month away from his thirty-fifth birthday. Would Maximilian have traded his three years as an emperor for thirty or so years of mediocrity? Life is dear, so ostensibly he would have made the trade, given the chance. But would he really have done so? Could those thirty years of mediocrity outweigh even those little escapades that Maximilian enjoyed in numismatics? Life is more than just year after year passing by eventless. What answer do you think he'd have chosen?

Acknowledgments

The description of Maximilian's coinage is abridged from Dr. Alberto Francisco Pradeau's *Emperor Maximilian I of Mexico, the French Intervention, it's History and that of its Coinage 1864-1867.* The keen student of numismatics may wish to examine this book, published by the Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society. The coins come from the Maximilian Society's collection in their museum in Corpus Christi, and pictures are courtesy of F. A. Frank, San Diego, California.

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Shakespeare Medal



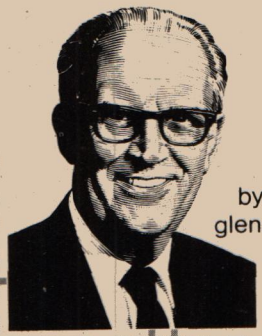
The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust in conjunction with the organizing committee for the International Shakespeare Association Congress scheduled for the week of April 19-25, 1976, have announced the issuance of a medal commemorating the Congress and the American Bicentennial.

Hosted by the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., the Shakespeare Association of America, and the International Shakespeare Association supported by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Congress will bring together hundreds of scholars from the U.S., Canada and abroad for discussions, lectures and cultural events. On April 23rd the Folger Library will conduct a major exhibition, "Shakespeare in America," of 200 years of Shakespearian productions, influences and interests in this country.

The medal, illustrated above and sculptured by the renowned Paul Vincze of London, is being struck in three editions: bronze (unlimited mintage) for $15; .986 fine silver (limited to 2500 copies) for $40; 22 kt. gold (limited to 50 copies); and platinum. Prices of the two latter editions are available upon request.

Further information can be acquired by writing the Folger Shakespeare Library, Mr. C. Michael Baker, 201 East Capitol St., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003.

numismatic vignettes



by
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■ It's too early to predict but not to speculate that the familiar 70-year old D mint mark may be replaced with an L in a few years. With estimates of the cost of a new Denver mint being revised higher and higher, there is speculation in that area that the Gates Rubber plant in nearby Littleton, Colorado, may be converted to a mint. Gates plans to discontinue making auto tires in Littleton and is offering the plant for sale, according to a U.S. Representative from Colorado. Based on present estimates, it is said that buying and revamping the Gates plant would result in a saving of $29 million to us taxpayers.

■ When Winston Churchill was 12 years old he is said to have written his mother Jennie from school to send six autographs from his father and six from her. The author of *Jennie: The Life of Lady Randolph Churchill,* comments that Winston "apparently did a brisk business in these autographs" to supplement his never sufficient allowances. A resourceful chap, what?

■ Do you know who the following statements were written about? "His had been a life of pleasure, sport, and fashion, but he had left his mark as a stormy statesman with a record of sporadic brilliance. His temper was imperious, his disdain overbearing, his rudeness vicious. No man made more enemies. Yet he demonstrated — when he chose — gifts of grace and charm."

He was not world-famous, although widely known during his relatively brief career—a negligent father of two sons, the first born of which became one of the most famous men of the twentieth century. If you don't know his name (or even if you do), read the fascinating two-volume work, *Jennie: the Life of Lady Randolph Churchill.*

■ Believe-it-or-not department! The preliminary 1975 report of a large paper company in Wisconsin contains this item under the heading "The Human Side." A named employee "showed all of us that old-fashioned virtues still exist. In a box full of redeemable coupons addressed to the company, he found a package containing $14,000 in gold coins with a return address of the U.S. Mint in San Francisco. The gold had apparently sunk into the coupon box somewhere in the Post Office. [The employee] ... promptly reported it and the gold was taken back to the Post Office."

The item leaves a number of questions unanswered. Unless my calculations are in error, $14,000 in gold coin would weight 51.6 pounds, avoirdupois. A fairly heavy package to be misplaced, not to mention its value, but apparently the Postal Service was equal to the feat.

■ A year or so ago I bought a little book, *The Art of The Medal,* by Victor D. Brenner, 1910. It apparently was published by the author, so presumably only a very limited number were printed. There are only 48 pages which include photos of Brenner at work, and 22 photos of various types of art medals.

For a small book it provides excellent insight into how artistic medals were produced in the pretwentieth century, before medal making became a mass-production industry. Examples of the work of such medallists as Dupre, Bianchi, Van Abeele, Chaplin, Du Bois, Scharff and Roty are shown; none by Brenner himself. Several of the medals were struck from hand-cut dies, predating the reducing machine of the early nineteenth century by which dies are produced from plaster models that are usually five to ten times the size of the finished medal or coin.

A copy of this book may be borrowed from the ANA library, the catalog number being RA30.B7.

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Overdate Varieties Offer Interesting Study

The hunt for overdate varieties of U.S. coins is one of numismatics' pleasures. It provides an interesting side line to date collecting within a series and is a field which offers many new discoveries. (Witness the 1901/0-S five dollar liberty of two years ago.)

There are almost one hundred accepted overdates known to collectors. In this number, some have under figures as bold as the numeral they've been covered with, while other varieties take imagination to see. To confuse the picture, many coins have engraving errors in the date area where digits or even whole dates are misaligned or repunched making them resemble an overdate. One such coin, the 1869/8 Indian Cent, is an example of an engraving error or "so-called" overdate.

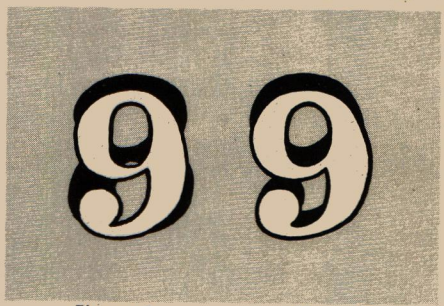


Figure 1

Figure 2

The piece is listed in *Scott's 1971 Catalogue* where it is described as occuring in two varieties, one with a die crack from the nine to the curl. The collector is warned about the recut date 1869 cents that are usually encountered. One of these recut date cents has a trace of the original nine at the top of the nine while the other has a tell-tale extra knob on the nine and a recut "R" in liberty. From Scott's description we would expect to find two varieties of the overdate and two varieties of the recut date:

1869/8 var. 1 with die crack
(var. usually seen)
1869/8 var. 2 without die crack
1869/9 var. 1 — trace of original 9 at top
1869/9 var. 2 — knob on 9 and recut R

We hope to show that all these varieties have become confused in the literature and that they are all from the same die at different die states.

If we take the numeral punches for the eight and nine of this period and superimpose them, we see what to expect for the true overdate (Figure 1)



Figure 3

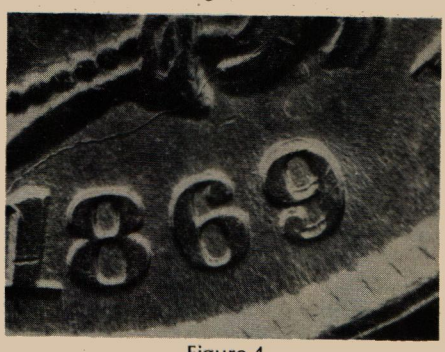


Figure 4

and the recut date (Figure 2). Now taking a blow up of a 1869/8 (Figure 3) we see that the picture matches the 9/9 model. Note the trace of the original nine at the top and the way the knob of the nine follows around. Now you may say all we've done is blow up a 1869/9 variety mentioned earlier but if we look at the same coin at a lower power (Figure 4), above the nine we see the tell-tale "die crack" for var. 1 of the 1869/8! The "die crack" mentioned in Scott's for var. 1 of the overdate is really not a die crack at all but a clash mark from the reverse shield!

The similarity with a clashed 1864-L Indian cent is conclusive. We see the bold die clash from the side of the shield and a round leaf tip from the wreath (Figure 5). From this evidence we can see that the "so-called" 1869/8 var. 1 is a clashed 1869/9. The same die without the clash marks would give us the "so-called" 1869/8 var. 2.

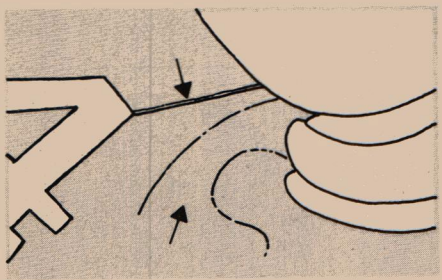
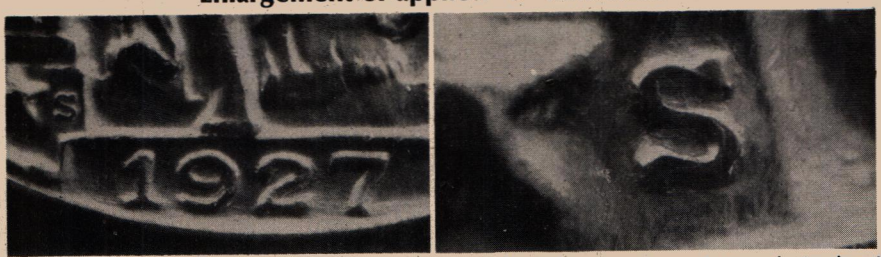


Figure 5:

We can now start to piece the story together. The original die for this variety was a 1869/9. It was clashed at one point and then started to crack. This accounts for the scarcity of the coin. Figure 4 shows a fairly well developed die crack over the date. Most reverses of these coins have well developed die cracks also. In a future month, ANACS Seminar will picture these reverses and suggest the obverse and reverse die progression.

"S" Mintmark added to U.S. 1927 Quarter Dollar
Enlargement of applied "S" mintmark



A skillful coin alterer — the same person who has added exceptionally well styled "D's" is the 1916 Mercury Dimes — is now applying his skills to the 1927 Liberty Standing quarter dollars. He uses a microscope in his work, and has studied the genuine mintmarks in detail. A perfectionist, he avoids leaving the "undercut" or gap which appeared on the alterations of the 1960's.

By adding the mintmark he increases the potential value of the coin sixfold.

Attention Members!

EVERY ANA MEMBER should read the summary report in this issue of the recent meeting of the Board of Governors. Among other important actions, the board set up a Memorial Fund for the late Maurice M. Gould to which contributions may be made; lowered the age requirement for life member applicants to 18 years; raised the life membership fee to $350 effective June 1; established a $10 fee for life member applicants who elect to use the installment plan ($75 plus $10 with application and 11 monthly payments of $25 each); and approved gold medals and gold registration badges for the New York convention.



virgil hancock's
FEATURING FAKES

This year of our Lord, 1976, marks a numismatic milestone which has nothing to do with the USA's bicentennial.

Ten years ago, in 1966, then ANA President Matt Rothert went to Europe and came back all enthused over what then seemed like a chance for immediate international co-operation in unmasking the flow of counterfeit collectors' coins, a flow which has since become a deluge! But Matt was ten years ahead of the times.

Most collectors and dealers on both sides of the Atlantic just sat on their hands, some even becoming downright hostile at the idea of ruffling numismatic waters by exposing counterfeits. "You're ruining the coin business," could be heard at almost any coin show.

Matt designed, and had printed at his own expense, a file card on which he hoped folks would sketch the tell-tale points of any counterfeit they encountered, and send the cards to Matt who, in turn, would send a copy to the European numismatists. (I don't know, but I'll bet my usual five cents that from all over the USA, Matt never received more than a dozen cards reporting a counterfeit.)

But in 1972, on the west side of the Atlantic, the ice was broken when ANACS opened its doors. Now a new day is here, and Europe, with both feet, has jumped into the fight against the fakes.

Good News No. 1. Jean-Paul Divo of Bank Leu, Zurich, Switzerland, has been issuing an enlightening *Forgery Report* for the past eleven months. His eighteenth was released two months ago.

Good News No. 2. With Peter Seaby as chairman, the International Bureau for The Suppression of Counterfeit Coins (IBSCC) has been set up by the International Association of Professional Numismatists (IAPN), with Mr. E. G. V. Newman, metallurgist, as director. In the first three months of '76, the IBSCC has issued seven *Counterfeit Reports* and volume 1, no. 1, of a 32-page *Bulletin on Counterfeits*.

Our own ANACS will co-operate in an exchange program by which both sides of



the Atlantic will now be kept informed of any new fake discovered. Next month, director Newman will visit ANACS to work out the details of the data exchange.

So, Matt, your 1966 hope finally has become fact ... it only needed ten years to "jell."

Now, as to the specimens you see today at the top of these pages ... Both pieces are silver concoctions, each dreamed up and struck by some imaginative lad with a slight streak of larceny in his soul.

The larcenous lad, who made the dollar-size concoction at the top of the page opposite, obtained his idea from a silver rupee-size coin (Schjoth No. 1639) issued by Governor Chun-hsuen of China's Sze-chuen Province about 1903 A.D. Governor Chun-hsuen had stolen his coin's design from the 1840 Victoria Queen rupee of India (Friedberg No. 12) which had become the established coin of commerce in China's large southwestern provinces of Sze-chuen and Yun-nan and Tibet. Chun-hsuen had hoped to drive the coin of the "barbarians" out of China.

The obverse shows Victoria's fancy dress, but the profile supposedly is that of either Yun-nan's Governor Tsen Yu-ing or of China's Emperor Kuang-hsu, take your choice. Eduard Kann lists that concoction as his No. B-29.

The concoction at the top of this page professes to be an ounce of silver used to pay soldiers of Sin-kiang Province. Kann pictures this concoction as his B-84.

Within the beaded inner circle are four characters, reading first from top to bottom, then from your right to your left, "Pay Silver One Ounce." "Pay" in the sense of "army ration."

(By the way, I've never understood why the British used the word "tael" for "ounce" instead of the Chinese word "liang." The Organization of International Numismatists' edition of Frey's Dictionary says "tael" comes from the Malaysian word "tahil," but it seems to me it would have been simpler to have adopted "liang" which China had used for over 2,000 years.)

Sometimes it's mighty hard to persuade the owners of these concoctions that the pieces never were coins, not even patterns, but just concoctions. In fact, the owners sometimes become vexed, not with the fellow who sold them the fakes, but with the person who shows them in Kann that the things are mere concoctions.

One owner, refusing to be convinced despite Kann, said, "Yes, but you really can't prove that this piece was not used as money somewhere, sometime!" And, of course, since you didn't personally track this round piece of silver all the way from its manufacturer to its present owner, you have to admit that you can't prove it wasn't used to pay the rent sometime, some place.

But, just the same, neither ANACS nor IBSCC will certify it as being genuine!

Summary Report
Bylaw Changes Feature of Board Meeting

The ANA board of governors, composed of members elected last August, met February 17-18 at the Antlers Hotel in Colorado Springs. This was the first full-fledged meeting of the new board, and the first interim meeting to be attended by representatives of the numismatic press. The board was in session a total of 15 hours during the two days.

Board members in attendance were: Virgil Hancock, president; Grover C. Criswell, vice-president; and governors Kenneth L. Hallenbeck, Jr., Byron F. Johnson, Eldridge G. Jones (succeeding the late Maurice M. Gould), John Jay Pittman, F. Morton Reed, Glenn B. Smedley and Adna G. Wilde. Others in attendance included Edward C. Rochette, executive director; Arthur Fitts III, assistant to the director; William C. Henderson, treasurer; Richard B. Dusterberg, legal counsel; and Ruthann Brettell, ANA bookkeeper. N. Neil Harris, ANA editor, was present part of the time.

Arnold Jeffcoat, editor of *Numismatic News*, and Margo Russell, editor of *Coin World*, were present and have reported on the meeting in their respective publications.

Bylaws

A number of proposed changes in our bylaws were discussed and voted upon with the following results. The well publicized suggestion to have four year staggered terms of the seven governors, with each governor being elected to a numbered position on the board, was defeated by a 3 to 6 vote. Voting against the change were board members Criswell, Hallenbeck, Johnson, Jones, Pittman and Wilde.

The companion proposal to limit governors to eight consecutive years in office was approved by a bare majority of 5 to 4. Opposed were Criswell, Jones, Pittman, and Wilde. The new bylaw section clearly states that this limitation becomes effective with the 1983 election, that it does not apply to a governor being elected to the presidency or vice-presidency, and that the governor having served eight consecutive years may be a candidate for governor again after two years out of governorship.

By unanimous approval an addition was made to Section 4 (o) of Article IV to the effect that future proposed changes in the bylaws "that would effect the structure of the Board of Governors or the basic operation of the Association" must be published at least twice in *The Numismatist* prior to action on them by the board. The notice must state the reason for the proposed changes and invite comments from the membership.

A very important change was made in the procedure to be followed in handling complaints against members by rewriting and expanding Section 4 of Article III. While not easily summarized in a few words, the purpose of the new wording is to insure that a member against whom a complaint has been made will have every reasonable opportunity to defend himself before the board takes any disciplinary action. It provides for the member appearing before the board in his own defense if he so chooses. This revision was recommended by our legal counsel and was unanimously approved.

Several bylaw changes were made solely for the purpose of clarification without altering basic meanings. One amendment changed the title "Executive Director" to "Executive Vice-President," being solely a change in title without any change in the duties or responsibility of the chief staff officer. Voting in favor of this amendment were Hallenbeck, Hancock, Johnson, Reed and Smedley.

The final bylaw change permits members under 18 years of age to vote in ANA elections. Governor Wilde opposed this change in an 8 to 1 decision.

Life Memberships

Several changes were made in the life member class and the life membership fund. By a 5 to 4 vote, with Hallenbeck,

Pittman, Smedley and Wilde opposing, the age requirement for life members was lowered to 18. The life membership fee was increased to $350, effective June 1, 1976, with Criswell not voting on the increase and Hallenbeck opposed to the effective date.

Hereafter those applicants for life membership who elect to pay the fee on the installment plan (within twelve months of the application) will be assessed a $10 fee to help defray bookkeeping costs. If the final payment is made within 90 days of receipt of the application, the $10 fee will be deducted from the final payment. Criswell opposed, Reed abstained.

Two internal bookkeeping transactions, designed to enhance the present life membership fund, were approved without opposition. It may surprise members to know that this fund is still carrying 102 members that paid the original $50 fee (1922-47) which, in this inflationary time, no longer pays the costs of their memberships. What will the present fee be worth 30 years and more hence?

Budget

The approved budget of last August was revised in the light of actual operations since that date and adopted unanimously. Relatively minor changes were made in some items of both income and expenses but the totals remained substantially the same — $596,750 income and $595,353 expenses.

Complaints

Alan J. Brotman, R-69643 of Baltimore, Md., was suspended for failure to pay for advertising in *The Numismatist*.

Frank Forsythe, R-61876 of Bradford, Pa., was suspended for failure to return library material.

Joseph Gallo, R-50730 of Alexandria, Va., suspended in August 1975, was expelled.

Michael R. Kirzner, LM-816 of Boston, Mass., suspended in February 1972, was expelled.

Carling Gresham, former LM-1229 who was expelled in August 1973, was reinstated.

Complaints against two members were dismissed. Action on several other complaints, one objection to membership and one request for reinstatement was deferred pending further investigation and clarification of charges. These are to be placed on the agenda for the August board meeting.

Special Funds and Awards

The board approved the establishment of a Maurice M. Gould Memorial Fund to which ANA members and his friends may make contributions. When of sufficient amount, the money in this fund is to be invested and the interest earned used for educational purposes.

The title of the "Debbie Jane Gould Junior Literary Award" was changed to the "Gould Junior Literary Award." Funding by the Lewis M. Reagan Memorial Foundation, Inc., is to be continued.

The board authorized the sale of 1,000 shares of the Franklin Mint stock that is owned by ANA at not less than $25 per share, the proceeds to be placed in the Museum Fund and invested at not less than 7% interest. (This authorization has been exercised, the stock having been sold at $30 per share and the money invested at 7.25% interest.)

Conventions

Approval was given for a 3/4 inch fine gold medal, bearing the official New York convention medal designs, to be sold on advance subscriptions only. A 3/4 inch 10 karat gold registration badge will be offered on the same basis. Ordering procedures will be announced when costs and other details have been worked out.

Advancing the convention business meetings so that any resolutions passed thereat may be acted upon promptly by the board was recommended to those in charge of convention planning.

Agreement was reached on naming the Chase Park Plaza Hotel in St. Louis as the site of the 1979 convention contingent, of course, upon being able to reach satisfactory arrangements with the hotel's management. Preliminary inspections and meetings have been favorable.

Miscellaneous

Henry G. (Hank) Spangenberger, LM-676, was appointed ANA historian to replace N. Neil Harris who has found

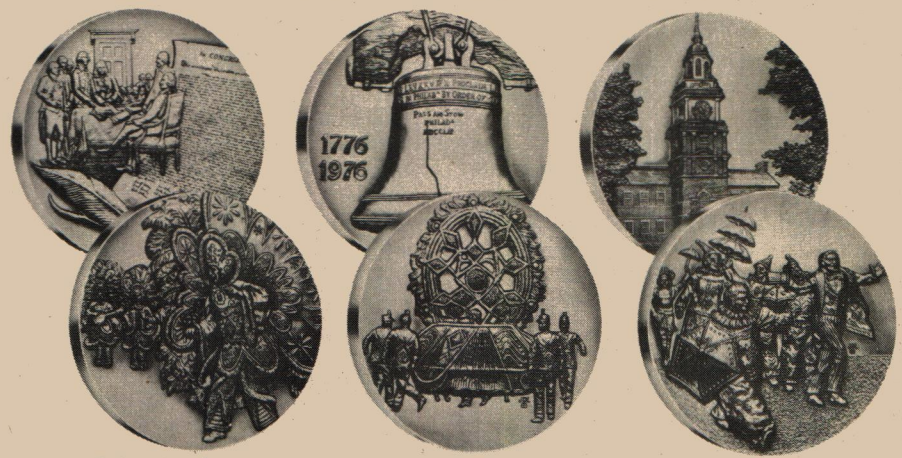
that his duties as editor leave little or no time for other activities.

The board went on record as being opposed to the advertising and sale promotion of Calhoun Collectors Society, Inc., regarding misleading statements about a United States gold plated half dollar it is offering for sale.

As a protection against legal action on claims of errors and omissions, acts of negligence, personal injury, etc. by members of the board and other officers and staff members, an insurance policy in the amount of $1,000,000 and payment of the premium therefor were authorized. This Professional Liability Insurance became effective February 20.

Discussions were held on a few other matters and some routine administrative actions were taken. The two-day meeting was amiable, notwithstanding free discussion and candid expressions by board members on all matters considered.

Medals Salute Mummery — Bicentennial



String Band Division Fancy Division Comic Division

The Mummers Parade is a proud tradition unique to Philadelphia. First brought to this country in the 17th century, the custom of mummery has now grown to enormous proportions, involving over 20,000 people in the creation and presentation of this annual New Years Day event. The Mummers Parade, which lasts over 12 hours, is comprised of three colorful divisions that compete for prizes: the Comic, the Fancy, and String Band Divisions.

Noted artist and designer George Beach, one of five artists in the country invited by the American Revolutionary Bicentennial Administration to submit designs for the National Bicentennial Medal, was commissioned to design these official Mummers Bicentennial Medals. On the reverse of each medal, Mr. Beach has portrayed proud symbols of our nation's birth and heritage: The Signing of the Declaration, The Liberty Bell, and Independence Hall On the obverses he creates the feeling and color displayed in each of the parades competing divisions.

These bold high relief medals measure 1 3/4" in diameter and were struck by Art Medals Inc. The Mummers themes were sculpted by Joseph A. DiLorenzo and the historical motifs by Thomas Rodgers. Each medal is hallmarked and permanently treated to retain its antiqued glow.

A special collector's edition of 750 sets of the 3 medals in antiqued .999 fine silver is being sold for $125 per set. Each silver set comes in a reversible, solid walnut pictorial frame suitable for hanging or stand-up display and, as backdrops for the medals, paintings by two famous artists, Howard N. Watson and Benjamin Eisenstat have been specially commissioned.

In addition to the collector's edition, an unlimited version of each medal in antiqued pewter is being offered in a free-standing lucite display for $15 per medal.

Medals may be acquired by writing "Mummers Medals", c/o Branch Advertising, First Pennsylvania Bank, Centre Square, 40th Floor, Philadelphia, Pa., 19101, Attention: A. Bruce Crawley.

In the Spirit of '76
1976 National Coin Week Theme

For our nation, 1976 is a very important year, and in recognition of this American Bicentennial, the American Numismatic Association has designated the theme of the 1976 National Coin Week to be "In the Spirit of '76." Dates are close at hand — April 18 through 24.

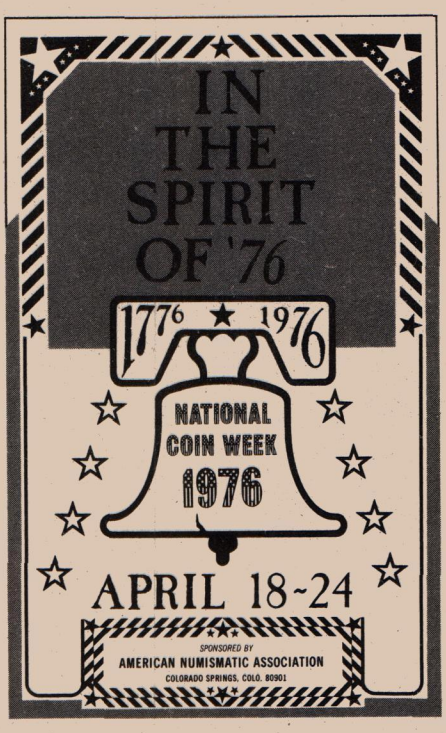
F. Morton (Mort) Reed is the Bicentennial Year NCW chairman and he has called on member clubs to appoint two chairpeople, a man and a woman, to cochair each club's NCW activities. He has asked clubs with young collectors to also appoint a junior chairperson, as well. No one can beat the enthusiasm of youth when it comes to getting things done, but they do need guidance from senior members.

ANA headquarters has sent guidelines to all affiliated clubs. Individuals may write or call to receive additional kits. Publicity is the key to National Coin Week success. Club committees should contact all local service clubs, radio and television stations and newspapers to obtain as much coverage as possible. The intent of NCW is to inform the general public and promote the many benefits of the hobby to the uninformed.

Governor Reed suggests that one committee member be selected to approach your mayor or city manager and request an edict proclaiming April 18 through 24 as National Coin Week in your city or town. He advised that church papers are an often overlooked source of publicity. Your imagination is the only limit to your participation.

Scrapbooks prepared on a club's activities are not a requisite, but they do make an ideal means of reporting a club's activities. Each and every participant of NCW will receive an appropriate certificate from the ANA, suitable for framing. It is the committee's responsibility to furnish ANA headquarters with a typed list of all participants following the close of NCW activities.

The list should include the non-numismatic individuals that helped make available space for displays and



publicity — local editors, newscasters, bank officials, etc. The certificates can be presented in club ceremonies after the close of NCW and thus generate more publicity for your club and its activities.

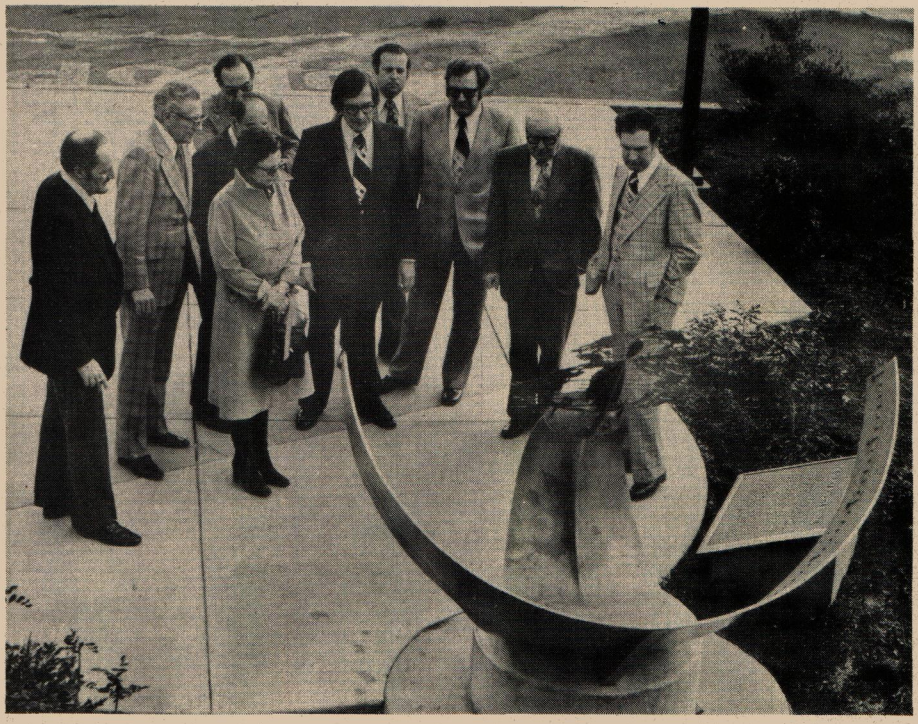
Your report to ANA may include photographs and documentation of what you or your club has done. Several such reports will be selected for publication in the *Club Bulletin* so that other clubs may share in your ideas. Those individuals and clubs, based on reports submitted to ANA, who have promoted National Coin Week in a superior or exceedingly original way, which exposes the hobby to the non-collecting public, will receive special recognition.

Remember to submit any clippings that appear in your local press in recognition of your efforts. Everyone is interested in the story of money, and organizations such as service clubs are always hungry for speakers. You not only get a free lunch out of the deal, but you promote the hobby to others who might have never known how exciting it can be.

And remember, if an individual shows an interest in numismatics invite him, or her, to your next club meeting. Sign them up for membership. The more members that your club has, the more interesting its activities become; the more members that ANA has, the more we can do for the hobby.

Don't forget the theme — "In the Spirit of '76." And, in the Spirit of ANA, get out and make this the best ever. You'll have to wait another 100 years before you have a theme like this again.

U.S. Mint Officials Visit Franklin Mint



Officials of the U.S. Mint and U.S. Treasury visit The Franklin Mint, world's largest private mint, at Franklin Center, Pa. The visit took place February 12th following the meeting of the U.S. Assay Commission in Philadelphia. Pausing to admire a unique sun dial created by Gilroy Roberts, dean of American medallic sculptors, are (l to r) Len Salidor, Franklin Mint's manager of public relations; Martin F. Walsh, senior vice president, Franklin Mint Corporation; Nicholas Costanzo, superintendent, U.S. Assay Office; Frank Gasparro, chief sculptor, U.S. Mint; Betty Higby, superintendent, U.S. Mint in Denver; William F. Krieg, vice president, collector relations, The Franklin Mint; Nicholas G. Theodore, superintendent, U.S. Mint in Philadelphia; Harry J. Edwards, administrative officer, U.S. Silver Bullion Depository, West Point; Victor Harkin, officer in charge, U.S. Gold Bullion Depository, Ft. Knox; and Albert H. Norman, officer in charge, Old Mint, San Francisco.

'76 U.S. Assay Commission Headed by Time's Neil MacNeil

Senator Mark O. Hatfield and the ANA's new historian, H.G. Spangenberger, also appointed.

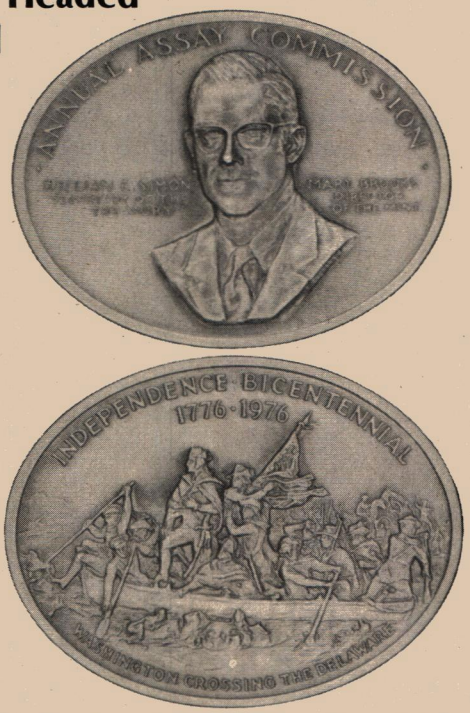
Neil MacNeil, presidential numismatic scholar, *Time* magazine Washington correspondent, and Washington Week In Review television personality, was named permanent chairman of the 1976 Bicentennial Assay Commission at the Philadelphia Mint on February 11th.

MacNeil, who is chief congressional correspondent for *Time*, collects medals associated with U. S. history. He was also a major member of the medal committees marking the inauguration of Vice President and President Ford.

Henry G. Spangenberger, Clayton, Ohio, one of the foremost authorities on Numismatics 1876, was chairman of the assaying committee. He has also recently been appointed historian of the ANA. Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., co-chairman, is a medallist art enthusiast.

Daniel T. Anderson, Jackson, Miss., chairman of the counting committee, shared responsibility with Miss Alva Christensen, Arcadia, Calif., as co-chairman. Anderson, who dealt in coins during his college days, is still a collector, but now practices law in Jackson, Miss., a specialist in medical law, partner in the law firm of Anderson and Young. Miss Christensen is a partner in the firm of Christensen and Stone, with Miss Ethel Stone. They specialize in exonumia auctions.

Harvey G. Stack, partner in the New York coin firm of Stack's, headed the weighing committee. Stack, an appraiser, cataloger and auctioneer, is a consultant to the numismatic division of the Smithsonian Institution. He specializes in pioneer and territorial issues of the United States. Mrs. Maureen Calderazzo, Temple Terrace, Fla., co-chairwoman with Stack, is a



Members of the 1976 Assay Commission received this unusual oval three-inch medal struck in pewter. Designed and executed by Frank Gasparro, Chief Mint Sculptor and Engraver, the medal bears the portrait of Treasury Secretary William E. Simon and his name and that of Mint Director Mary Brooks on the obverse. The reverse is Gasparro's rendition of "Washington Crossing the Delaware," taken from Emanuel Leutz's painting displayed in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City.

member of the Florida United Numismatists. She works part-time in her husband's coin business.

The commission met in an all-day session at the Philadelphia Mint. Among the 1976 commissioners who served without compensation were bankers, teachers, state and national elected officials, lawyers, an appeals court judge and a machinist.

David R. Macdonald, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement, Operations and Tariff Affairs, presided at the meeting,and welcomed the commissioners in behalf of President

Ford. Each commissioner received an official commission signed by the President and Sen. Hatfield received special recognition from Assistant Secretary Macdonald.

James E. Smith, Comptroller of the Currency; Allan S. Rayan, assayer, United States Assay Office, and Dr. Ernest Ambler, acting director, National Bureau of Standards, U. S. Department of Commerce were present, and Charles L. Weiner, judge, United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, administered the oath of office to the 27 commissioners.

Mint executives from across the country attending as observers were Mrs. Betty Higby, superintendent, Denver Mint, Bland T. Brockenborough, officer in charge, United States Assay Office, San Francisco; Albert H. Norman, officer in charge, Old San Francisco Mint, Nicholas Costanzo, superintendent, United States Assay Office, New York; Victor H. Harkin, officer in charge, United States Bullion Depository, Fort Knox; and Harry J. Edwards, officer in charge, United States Bullion Depository, West Point.

Host superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint was Nicholas G. Theodore, with chief engraver, Frank Gasparro, assisting in extending hospitality with Seymour Rossenbaum, deputy superintendent, Philadelphia Mint. James E. Parker, the Bureau of the Mint's Public Affairs officer; Margaret Walker, statistical officer; and Miss Stephanie Dick, executive assistant to acting Director Frank MacDonald, were also present for the session. R. Glenn Williamson of the Mint was named secretary for the 1976 Commission.

Following organization and a series of press interviews, the commission held its luncheon at Spat's where handcrafted shadow boxes holding paper tole miniatures of the Tiffany mosaics, mounted at the Philadelphia Mint, marked the commissioner's places. Philadelphia Mint bags were used as place mats. Ms. Olga Melko, of the Old San Francisco Mint, created the favors.

The official sessions of counting, weighing and assaying were followed by a tour of the Philadelphia Mint, and an evening reception at Luigi's Trattoria. Highlight was the presentation of the 1976 Assay Commission medal, and the showing of the Mint's film. "The Granite Lady," the story of the restoration of the Old San Francisco Mint.

Other members of the 1976 Bicentennial Assay Commission follow:

George M. Atkins, Jr., Wilmington, Del., ANA member and U.S. coin specialist.

Carl F.E. Bourque, past president of the Manataug and Beverly Coin Clubs, co-designer of the Peabody Centennial Commission medal, and ANA member.

Hon. Myron T. Brenneman, Wooster, Ohio, judge, ninth district Court of Appeals whose hobby is numismatics.

Ruth V.T. Hammell, Cumberland, Md., member of many numismatic associations, owner, manager, Korner Kupboard Antiques and Koin Korner.

Palmer T. Heenan, Grosse Pointe Park, Mich., ANA member and collector of both paper money and coins.

Warren Henderson, member of the Florida State Senate, member of the Florida Bicentennial Commission, and the only commissioner to have served twice.

Mitchell Hrynyshen, Wilmington, Del. member of many coin groups and frequent speaker and exhibitor at coin shows.

John F. Hunter, native of Germany, owner of Northeast Coin Co., designer of the Deering, N.H. Bicentennial medal, and member of several numismatic organizations.

Dale B. Leach, Oxford, N.Y., member of several coin clubs and ANA member.

Donald E. Miller, history teacher, member of the South Lake County Coin Club, and collector of political campaign tokens.

Arthur J. Majewski, Detroit, specialist and writer on Polish coinage, and member of the Michigan State Numismatic Society.

Leonard J. Nadasdy, Loretto, Minn., collector of some 20,000 pieces, forming a basis for the money museum at the Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank.

Laszlo Pasztor, Pittsburgh, a native of Yugoslavia, active in Hungarian-American organizations, and presently a Dravo Corp. executive.

Thomas P. Peter, a coin and stamp collector, native of Rochester, N.Y., and teacher of business education at the secondary level.

Stephen E. Schneider, Orinda, Calif., college instructor and numismatist.

William J. Schuiling, Washington, D.C., president and chief executive officer of Financial General Bankshares, Inc.

Lawrence J. Spanbauer, Oshkosh, Wis., author of one of the best books on U.S. counterfeit coins, and member of many numismatic organizations including the ANA.

Eugene Stern, Highland Park, Ill., collector of paper money, stamps, contemporary art and flowers, and president of the Irving bank.

Peter F. Vottima, Springfield, Pa., specialist in U.S. gold and silver coins and commemoratives, and vice president of the First Pennsylvania bank.

Other members of the Philadelphia Mint personnel who assisted the 1976 Assayers were William E. Clausen, Dominic A. Pulli, Alan J. Schrenk and Gennaro R. D'Aquilante. — *CW*

Israel Issues Medal Commemorating New Hadassah University Hospital



The Government of Israel has issued a medal commemorating the New Hadassah University Hospital on Mount Scopus. In honoring this new hospital and its history, Israel pays tribute to another example of an achievement gained through the courage and determination of the Jewish people.

A new hospital has now been built on Mount Scopus. It has been planned with the latest achievements in medical practice, teaching and research in all its branches, and its medical equipment will be of a standard that will meet the needs of a hospital of the 1980's.

The obverse of the new medal depicts the new buildings of the Hadassah Hospital on Mount Scopus. In the center of the graphic depiction, above the entrance arcade to the hospital, are three domes typifying the old buildings. On the right is the beginning of the verse Haggai II,9 in Hebrew: The glory of this latter house shall be greater than that of the former. Along the lower rim runs a shortened English version: GREATER THE LATTER GLORY THAN THE FORMER.

On the reverse the main element is the emblem of Hadassah in the center of a spiral relief. The date 1975 in Arabic numerals is on the left and the Hebrew letter for 5336 on the right. Running along the rim, in Hebrew above and in English below, is the inscription: HADASSAH UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL MOUNT SCOPUS.

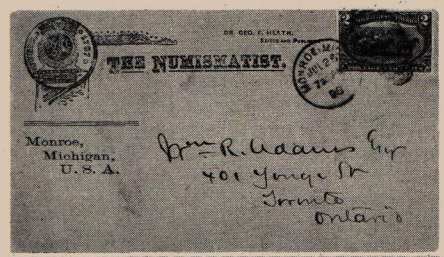
Additional information can be obtained from Israel Government Coins and Medals Corporation, Liaison Office for North America, 850 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10022.

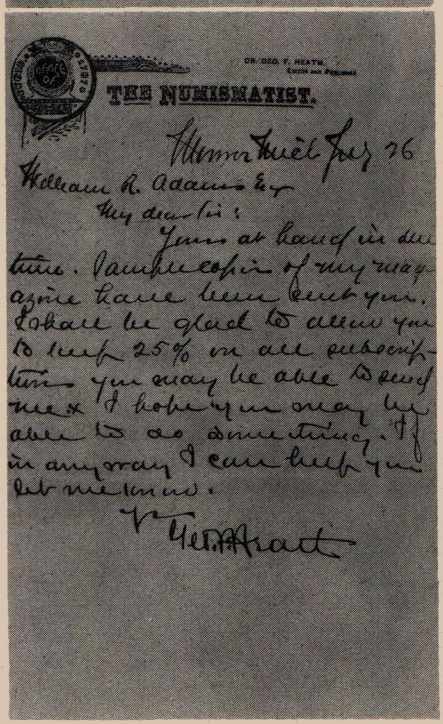
MUSEUM DIRECTIONS

by Arthur M. Fitts III, Acting Curator

The name, Dr. George F. Heath, is well known to members of the ANA. It was Dr. Heath who conceived and first published *The Numismatist* nearly ninety years ago. The press on which *The Numismatist* was first printed is part of a sizeable display at ANA Headquarters devoted to Dr. Heath and the many medals struck in his honor, including the coveted Heath Literary Award and those produced by the Monroe Coin Club of Monroe, Michigan, the town where Heath lived and worked. E. R. Binkelman of Detroit recently forwarded three items pertaining to your association and Dr. Heath, which are of considerable interest and were previously unknown.

Illustrated here is an envelope addressed to Wallace R. Adams, Esq., by Dr. Heath in 1898. This is the first such advertising cover for *The Numismatist* known to have been used by Heath. It and the enclosed letter make interesting reading, as Heath wrote on July 26:

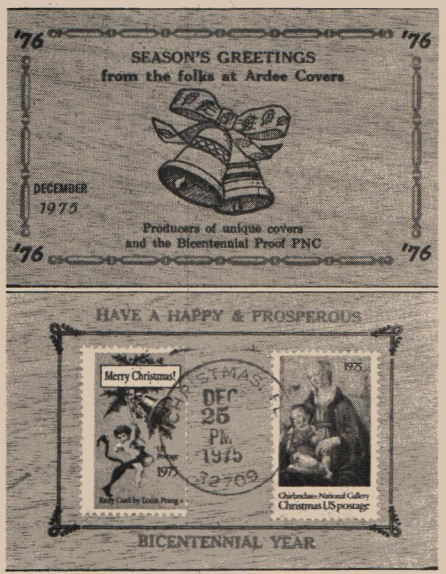




> Mr Dear Sir:
> Yours at hand in due time. Sample copies of my magazine have been sent you. I shall be glad to allow you to keep 25% on all subscriptions you may be able to send me, and I hope you may be able to do something. If in any way I can help you, let me know.
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> Yours,
> Geo. F. Heath

In view of today's printing costs and subscription prices, it is fascinating to note that a twelve month subscription to *The Numismatist* in 1898 cost $1.00!

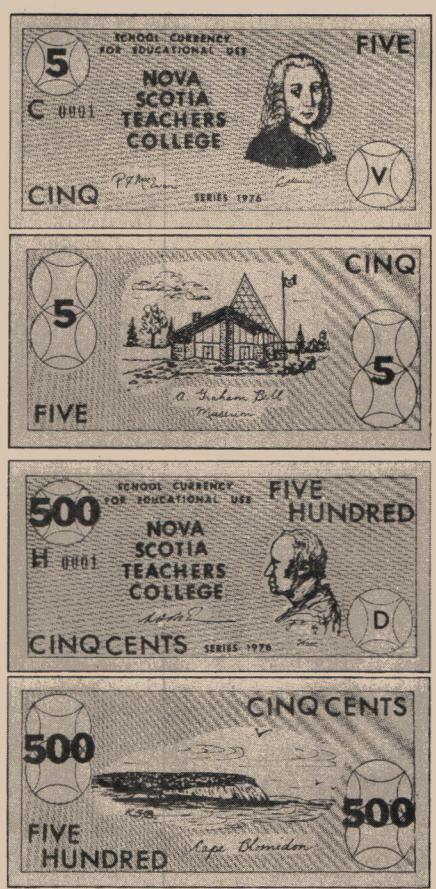




In the accompanying photograph are three prominent numismatists and luminaries of the ANA. Can any of our readers identify them and the offices they formerly held? Correct identification will be published in a forthcoming issue of *The Numismatist.*

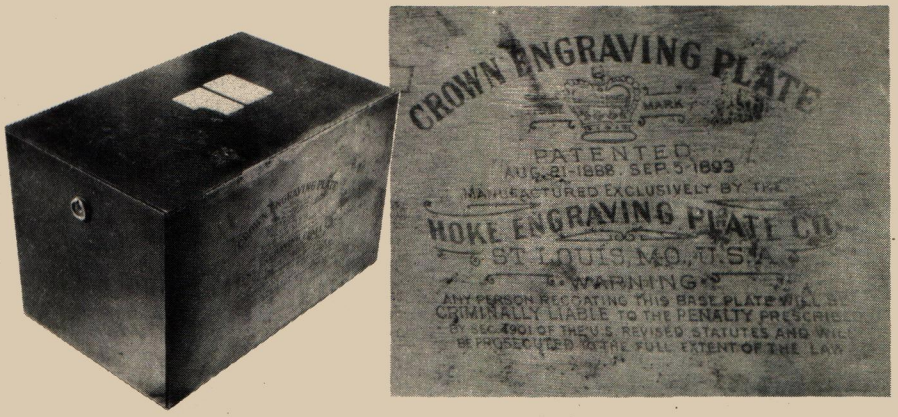
Your Museum is always pleased to receive items relating to all phases of numismatics. This year, for example, we were sent a wooden nickel Christmas card "from the folks at Ardee Covers." The piece is noted as a "bicentennial proof PNC" and wishes one a happy and prosperous bicentennial year. On it are affixed the two 1975 colorful Christmas stamps postmarked on December 25 in Christmas, Florida. Thank you folks at Ardee and a belated Seasons Greetings to you from the entire ANA!

Collectors of paper money are aware that there are a number of specimen and proof notes presently in your museum collection. You may not know, however, that there is also a growing corpus of currency which was never intended for circulation, but for use strictly for educational purposes. Harold Don Allen is a professor of Education at the Nova Scotia Teachers College and in recent years has developed several series of currency notes for use in his classes. The

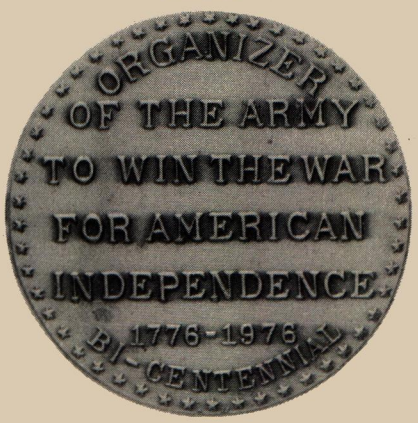


notes come in denominations of one, two, five, twenty, fifty, one hundred, and five hundred — the denominations being given in several different ways, including English and French, and Roman and Arabic numerals. The 1976 series not only depicts typical scenes and distinguishing landmarks of Nova Scotia but also portraits of such distinguished pioneers of science as Volta, Pascal, Ampère, Faraday, Kelvin, Watt, and Newton. Here the educational aspects of numismatics are being well promoted with creativity and imagination.

In the preparation of plates for currency which will have a wider circulation, steel plates are engraved. Where a stencil might be thrown away, the plates are stored in vaults under tight security. In the past, however, some







plates were released as the steel engraving plate box recently donated to your ANA Museum by the Rev. Paul Peel will attest. The box shown is constructed entirely of such plates by the Hoke Engraving Plate Company of St. Louis, Missouri. Produced exclusively under patents dated August 21, 1888 and September 5, 1893, the plates bear the warning "any person recoating this base plate will be criminally liable to the penalty prescribed by Section 4901 of the U.S. Revised Statutes and will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law." Here, then, is another fascinating curiosity from the periphera of numismatics.

With this year's convention to be located in New York, it is appropriate to recognize yet another bicentennial medallic tribute, this one sculpted and produced by Alphonse Kolb of Rochester, New York. The medal honors Inspector General Friedrich W. v. Steuben, U.S.A. organizer of the Army to win the war for American Independence. This bronze medal is a welcome addition to our growing collection of bicentennial material and will be included in the forthcoming book on such material to be compiled by your ANA.

CENTURY OLD NOTES

The Paris Mint has just coined ten thousand francs' worth of centimes, which were immediately put in circulation. That is perhaps the smallest coin in value used, being less than the tenth part of a penny. — *American Journal of Numismatics, July, 1875.*

YOUNG NUMISMATIST NEWS

Roman Coin Project

by David R. Cervin, ANA 65523

Have you ever heard of *Cleopatra?* Of course you have. Her infamous life includes poisoning her brother so as not to share the throne of Egypt with him, being Caesar's mistress, causing Mark Anthony to commit suicide, and herself perishing when Octavian had an asp held to her breast. Cleopatra lived from 69 to 30 B.C.

But let's gain an important item of historical knowledge. The name Cleopatra was the regular name of the queens of Egypt over a several century period immediately preceding the birth of Christ. Thus, there was another Cleopatra in existance around the year 100 B.C. During the same period, there was a king named Antiochus VIII (121-96 B.C.) He was of the Seleucid dynasty in nearer Asia, probably a part of Syria.

Now what is the purpose of mentioning this Cleopatra and Antiochus VIII? Well, I just happen to have a coin issued by Cleopatra and Antiochus VIII for Syria, probably struck around 100 B.C. Small in size, only 14 millimeters (for comparison, a dime is about 18mm) though nearly as thick as an Eisenhower dollar, the obverse shows a female bust facing right with a modius on her head. The reverse shows a lamp suspended from a candelabrum. The legends are illegible, and the coin can be described as a little better than poor. A nice feature of the coin is the interesting patina (green oxidation that comes from great age) that it has.

Poor though the coin is, it may be identified from British Museum *Catalogues as Kings of Syria, Antiochus* VIII, No. 16-17. It will make a nice addition to any collection. (This coin was attributed by Dan Clark of Douglas, Wyoming.)

Who gets this coin? It will go to the first junior who earns his fourth and final coin *after* this column is published. This will be a bonus coin making a total of *five* to the recipient.

Remember our four coins of Romulus and Remus being suckled by the she-wolf? These were struck between 334 and 346 A.D. and were commemorative coins celebrating the millenium of the founding of Rome. As you might suspect, the demand exceeded the supply. Those honored for sending the first four requests were: Charles White, Pleasanton, CA; Joyce Cochrane, Ashville, NC; John C. Steckel, Alexandria, VA; and Danny Weinreb, Flushing, NY.

To those of you who asked for and missed out on the Romulus and Remus coin, the February YNN announced that a few ancient Greek coins are available and will be given to those requesting them. There is probably an adequate supply for all, so do not panic. Should the demand exceed the present supply, arrangements will be made to secure more.

But to all of you juniors, the Roman Coin Project is *your* project and each of you can earn up to four Roman coins. There will be no cash outlay on your part. Already sixteen juniors have earned the peak number of *four* Roman coins, so if *you* don't have at least one coin, you are way behind in getting your fair share of the lot.

How are Roman coins earned? You merely do those things in numismatics that you continually do anyway, such as exhibit, bring programs to your club or to any group, hold office in school club, earn a youth award in collecting, or complete the YNCC in numismatics. The ground rules are simple. Just write David R. Cervin, 6201 Adirondack, Amarillo, TX 79106, for a Roman Coin Request Form. Then get on the ball and start to earn your Roman coins.



The ANA Convention in NEW YORK

Jackson Storm, General Chairman
159-15 Northern Blvd., Flushing, NY 11358

Convention Highlights Include Educational Forum, Trips

by David L. Ganz, LM 1072

Education of the collector is the most important function of the American Numismatic Association, the largest educational, non-profit organization of its type in the world, and at the upcoming 85th anniversary convention of the ANA in New York this August 24-29, those attending will have a unique opportunity to actively participate in their numismatic education. The means will be through the educational forum which features three outstanding speakers, and through trips organized by the convention committee.

Headlining the ANA educational forum will be three speakers of note, each of whom will speak on an aspect of the bicentennial of American numismatics. Eric P. Newman, an expert in colonial coin and currency, Henry G. Spangenberger, long-time collector and dealer in medallic tributes and other memorabilia of the 1876 centennial, and Major Sheldon S. Carroll, curator of the Canadian national coin collection, are to be the speakers. Edward Janis, well-known New York collector, will moderate the forum.

Leading off the forum will be Eric P. Newman, who has studied colonial coin and currency for more than 40 years. A St. Louis attorney who is also vice president of Edison Bros. Shoes, Newman will speak on the monies of the American Revolution.

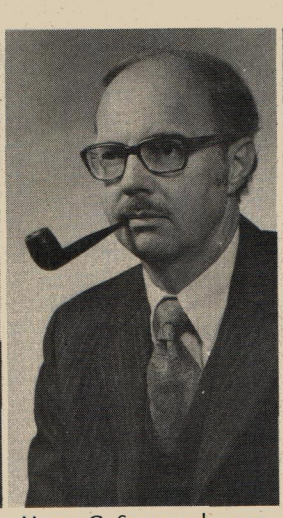
Besides being a student in the field, Newman's qualifications to speak authoritatively on the subject are impressive. A member of the ANA since Oct. 25, 1934 (R-4624), and life member (L-619) since 1969, he is the author of numerous books, monographs, and articles on colonial money. His articles in *The Numismatist* have won 10 Heath Literary Awards, the highest research tribute offered by the ANA, and his book on "Early Paper Money in America" is considered to be a standard reference work that is found in many public libraries. Among his major works in the colonial field include monographs published by the American Numismatic Society: "Coinage for Colonial Virginia" (1956), and the "Secret of the Good Samaritan Shilling" (1959). Some 50 articles, "maybe more," are also under Newman's by-line.

Appointed by President Johnson to the 1967 Assay Commission, Newman served as its permanent chairman. He later served as a member and chairman of the Coins & Medals Advisory Panel of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, helping to frame the government's numismatic commemoration for the nation's 200th birthday.

Drawing upon that experience, Newman is currently serving as a coor-



Eric P. Newman



Henry G. Spangenberger



Sheldon S. Carroll



Edward Janis

dinating editor for the bicentennial compilation of numismatic tributes to American independence which the ANA will publish as a book later this year, funded through the Bicentennial Administration's aegis.

Newman's service to the ANA over the years has extended beyond the writing of books and monographs. In recognition of his efforts, he received the Medal of Merit in 1964, and the coveted Farran Zerbe Award — the highest honor an ANA member can receive — in 1969. In addition, this will mark the third time that Newman has been a featured speaker at an ANA educational forum. In 1961, he spoke on the 1804 silver dollar. (He later wrote a best-selling book on the subject with Kenneth E. Bressett.) In 1972, he spoke on Bungtown coppers of Early America at the New Orleans convention.

Our second scheduled speaker for the 1976 forum, 18 year ANA member Henry G. (Hank) Spangenberger, is probably the most knowledgeable numismatist in America on coins, tokens, medals and other pieces of memorabilia from the 1876 centennial period.

"I got interested in expositions as a kid," he recently related, and the Philadelphia centennial exposition proved captivating. From the time he began with acquiring centennial memorabilia in 1964, until he disposed of his collection this year, Spangenberger examined hundreds of medals and other items. They will be the subject of his talk.

Spangenberger takes numismatics seriously as a student, and is also an appraiser, dealer, collector, and writer. In 1970, the Numismatic Literary Guild gave him their "Best Writer's Award" for his "Numisma-Lore" series in *Numismatic Scrapbook*. His most recent article was in a *Coins Magazine* special bicentennial issue: "A Glance Back to 1876."

When the Bicentennial Commission's Coins & Medals Advisory Panel held its first meeting in 1970, Hank Spangenberger was there at the invitation of the group to give them a briefing on exactly what commemorative steps had been taken during the first centennial anniversary of American independence. This previously unpublished account will be presented in expanded form to the educational forum. Later this year, his efforts will be found in book form as part of that bicentennial publication being put out by the ANA under auspices of the Bicentennial Administration.

The final speaker at the educational forum is a name well-known to both Canadians and to readers of American

numismatic publications. Sheldon Carroll, curator of the Canadian national coin collection in Ottawa, will speak on the Canadian numismatic aspects of the American bicentennial.

Carroll's career in collecting spans more than 35 years, and includes service as the founding president of the Canadian Numismatic Association in 1950. He is also the CNA's first life member. Active in research groups around the world, Carroll is a Fellow of the Royal Numismatic Society, an ANA Life Member, and member of many Canadian organizations.

Carroll, who has been a past educational forum speaker, was honored by the ANA for his work on behalf of Canadian numismatics, both at home and abroad, when the Board of Governors awarded him the Association's Medal of Merit in 1971.

These three speakers were each chosen by Harold Don Allen of Nova Scotia, the representative designated by President Hancock to handle matters related to speakers for the educational forum, and we must congratulate Mr. Allen for arranging a knowledgeable and well-rounded group of speakers to honor the 1976 Bicentennial at this year's ANA convention.

101 Things To See and Do For Under $2 in New York (Continued from last month)

New York Public Library. 5th Avenue & 42nd Street. Admission: Free. This building, a gift to the American people and the City of New York by Samuel J. Tilden, the defeated Presidential candidate of exactly a century ago, is one of the largest public libraries in the world. More than 4 million books are on its shelves, and its permanent exhibitions include stamp and coin collections, maps, and many other articles sure to delight the antiquarian. *To get there:* Walk two blocks east to Fifth Avenue and take any bus downtown, stopping directly in front of the Library.

"The New York Experience." McGraw-Hill Building (Avenue of the Americas at 49th Street). Admission: Adults $2.50, Children $1.25. This is undoubtedly one of the real highlights that anyone — even a New York native — would appreciate. It's a new concept in entertainment that has received rave reviews from all comers. Comfortable swivel chairs, 45 movie projectors, 16 screens and 68 special effects — coupled with quadraphonic sound — show you New York City as it has never been seen before. *To get there:* easy walking distance from the Hotel Convention site. Walk south on 7th Avenue to 49th Street, turn east and walk just a block to the entrance.

Theodore Roosevelt Home. 28 East 20th Street. This is a national historical site, recently called the least-visited in the country, yet it is a marvelous memorial not only to the man who became president by chance but also to the Victorian era, to which period the house is restored. Small admission fee (75 cents). T.R.'s adult home, **Sagamore Hill,** is located in nearby Long Island's Oyster Bay, but cannot be conveniently reached except by car. *To get there:* to the New York City home, take a number 1, 2A, or 3 bus down Fifth Avenue, getting off near 20th Street, then walk one half block east to the Mansion.

Fraunces Tavern. Corner of Broad & Pearl Streets (Lower Manhattan). A restored colonial building, originally built in 1719 as a private home but converted before the Revolution to a tavern by Samuel Fraunces. It was here that George Washington gave his farewell to the officers who had served him so well during the War of Independence. A Museum is located on the third floor, open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (free), and the Tavern offers lunch and dinners that many in the Wall Street area nearby enjoy daily (Closed Saturday & Sunday). *To get there:* Take the number 6 bus down Broadway to South Ferry, walk north about a block and a half to Pearl Street, and then east a block to the Tavern, or take the IRT 7th Avenue subway downtown to South Ferry, and repeat the walk.

World Trade Center. Trinity Place & Liberty Streets (Lower Manhattan). To give a street address is deceptive, for the WTC takes up 16 acres of total space, and includes two 110 story office buildings (the tallest in the world except for the Sears Tower in Chicago), a modern Federal Office Building, and the U.S. Customs Court building. The observatory on the Southern Twin Tower recently opened (No. 2 World Trade Center), and the view is superb. (Reasonable admission fee). *To get there:* Seventh Avenue No. 10 bus directly to WTC (return via 8th Avenue) or IRT-7th Avenue subway, downtown to Cortlandt street, walk west a block and a half.

Federal Reserve Bank of New York. 33 Liberty Street. There's more gold in the Fed's vaults than in Fort Knox! Also probably more coin and currency than most banks in the country. Hundreds of thousands of dollars in currency is destroyed here daily (after it is declared unfit for further circulation). The building itself is now 51 years old and blends Italian Renaissance tradition with 20th century needs. Admission to the bank is limited, advance reservations a must (at press time, it was uncertain whether or not special convention tours could be arranged). Write first, in any event. *To get there:* same directions as to the World Trade Center

(To be continued)

American Airlines Declared Official ANA Carrier

For the first time in the ANA's history, association members may Fly American/Stay Americana.

To reserve a seat on one of American's luxury jets, you simply call their toll free phone number **800-433-1790,** and receive personalized service from their convention specialists. They will not only reserve your air space, but they'll also suggest the most economical air fare based on your city of origin and length of stay.

In addition, they can reserve rent-a-cars, help with tour packages, and arrange sightseeing. This is all accomplished through the use of their computer, SABRE II, which takes more than 25,000 inputs per minute from their offices in the U.S.A., Canada, Mexico, Bermuda and the Caribbean.

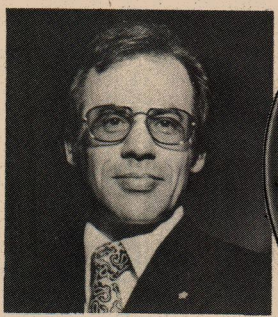
After spending a week at the ANA Convention, you're going to be ready for a Caribbean holiday. As official carrier, American Airlines has arranged one of the most exciting and economical, post-convention tours ever taken by the ANA This fabulous vacation offers five relaxing days, and four fun-filled nights at the Americana Hotel and Casino in Aruba, Netherlands Antilles. The total package price, including round-trip air fare via American Airlines Luxury Jet, is $269.95, based on double occupancy and minimum group size of 40.

If your Bicentennial plans include the 1976 ANA Convention, call American Airlines Convention Specialist today at **800-433-1790,** toll free.



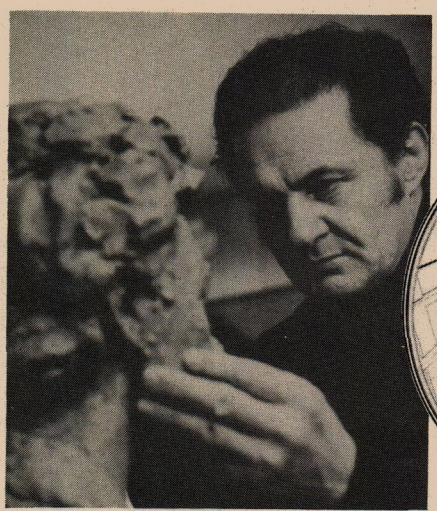
Winners of Medal Design Contest Announced

When the American Numismatic Association announced the competition for designs to be used on badges and medals for its 1976 convention, the response was immediate and prolific. Preliminary screening of the more than one hundred designs received reduced the number to ten semi-finalists in both the obverse and the reverse catagories. A select committee of judges, voting independently and without knowledge of the submitters of the designs, reached the decision that Jack Ahr had entered the best design for the obverse, and Mico Kaufman the best design for the reverse.



Jack Ahr





Mico Kaufman



Jack Ahr of Arlington Heights, Illinois, a member of the ANA since 1974, is well known to Americans inasmuch as his design graces the reverse of our bicentennial quarter. Ahr attended the 1974 ANA convention in Miami where the three bicentennial coins were first put on public view. The main elements of Ahr's design for the ANA 1976 convention medal are a bust of Liberty as the dominant central figure with the United Nations building in the background. In explaining on the official ANA entry form the subject matter he chose for his

design, Ahr commented that he felt the Statue of Liberty the most symbolic structure in the United States, and the United Nations Building a symbol of man's efforts to find peace in the world.

Two minor revisions were made to Ahr's original rendering. The numerical designation of ANA's anniversary contained within a circle of stars will be changed to inscription form and replace the small inscription stating the host city and date of the '76 convention. The incorporation of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration logo, the official symbol of the United States of America's 200th anniversary will replace the original starred element. Permission to use this symbol is granted by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration only to those major events which carry out themes appropriately commemorating the bicentennial of the United States.

A resident of North Tewksbury, Massachusetts, Mico Kaufman joined the ANA in 1973. Designer and sculptor of both the official Gerald R. Ford Vice Presidential Medal and the obverse of the Ford Presidential Medal, Kaufman will also be remembered as sculptor of both the obverse and reverse of the 1973 ANA Convention Medal. Kaufman's design, over which the ANA seal is superimposed, is described as "a vertiginous view of New York City buildings — perspective pattern of skyscrapers."

The select committee of judges included such medallic luminaries as Edward Grove, Robert Weinman, Frank Gasparro, Elizabeth Jones, Gilroy Roberts, and Paul Vincze, all former recipients of the coveted ANA Sculptor of the Year gold medal. The suggestions and comments made by these sculptors were especially constructive, with the result that this year's convention badge design is destined to rank with the finest ever produced for the American Numismatic Association.

As winners of the design competition, Ahr and Kaufman will each receive a $500 award. The presentation will be made during the 85th Anniversary Convention of the American Numismatic Association to be held at the Americana Hotel in New York August 24 - 29, 1976. For further information on the badges and medal sets, which will be available as well at the convention itself, inquiries may be addressed to Jackson C. Storm, 159-15 Northern Boulevard, Flushing, NY 11358.

Hotel Information

The Americana Hotel, located on Seventh Avenue between 52nd and 53rd Streets, takes up an entire city block. One of the tallest hotels in the world at 50 stories, it has some 2,000 rooms at the beck and call of ANA convention guests.

There are four restaurants located within the hotel, and dozens more within a two block radius — easy and safe walking distance, And, for those content to stay in their rooms, most have individual bar-refrigerators. Public transportation, for the venturesome, is readily available: all of the city's subway lines stop within two blocks of the hotel convention site.

Those driving to the ANA Convention may wish to investigate the Americana City Squire, located just across the street from the main hotel. The bonus here is free parking — a real plus in Manhattan, where the going rate to park a car is $7 or more for the day.

General Chairman Jackson Storm advises that confirmed reservations for the Americana are now being sent out. Anyone who has not yet received a written confirmation should contact him immediately at the official convention address: 159-15 Northern Blvd., Flushing, N.Y. 11358. To be assured of the special lower room rate being offered ANA conventioneers, use the official request card available from Jackson Storm. If you make reservations on your own, be certain to mention that you are with the ANA convention as this, too, should guarantee you the special rate.

Prior Conventions In New York State

Even as the City of New York spruces up for the 85th Anniversary Convention of the American Numismatic Association, there are many areas of the state within easy travelling distance of the "Big Apple" that once proudly sponsored the big annual convention.

Early in the ANA's history, back in 1901, the annual convention was held in Buffalo in the office of Dr. Benjamin P. Wright. Just nine years later, the convention came back to the state, going to the ANS headquarters in New York City. (See February issue, p. 303 for details.)

Rochester held the first of several ANA conventions in 1912. The association returned in 1917, and again in 1928. Buffalo vied for the honors with the 1930 convention, and again in 1947. When the New York City conventions of 1922, 1939, 1952, and 1976 are added, New York State has hosted the ANA an incredible 11 times. If you count the 1945








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convention (not really an official one because of wartime travel restrictions) it comes up to an even dozen.

Just looking back at those conventions — at the photographs, at the badges, and at *The Numismatist* that recorded

Paris Mint Launches

A series of five medals issued to commemorate the Bicentennial of American Independence are being made available direct from the Paris Mint. In a competition conducted by the Mint, five designs were chosen by a team of judges and each winning design will be subsequently struck in medal form. The first two offerings (illustrated here) representing the first and second prizes are the work of Francois Anger and Magdeleine Mocquot respectively.

First Prize

The obverse features the portraits of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin, all of whom, under different titles, were involved in the Declaration of Independence of the United States. Inscriptions above, WASHINGTON, JEFFERSON, ADAMS, FRANKLIN. In exergue (in French) BICENTENNIAL OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

by Francois Anger





81mm

Cannons on the deck of a naval vessel symbolize the upheaval in the American colonies on the reverse. The inscription lists, in the field, the names of the thirteen original colonies with, JULY 1776, at right.

This medal is available in bronze priced at 60 francs (approx. $13.30 U.S.) and in silver at 629 francs (approx. $139.70 U.S.).

faithfully the events surrounding the annual event — it seems incredible how the ANA, and its convention, have grown.

Take the 1930 convention at Buffalo. Frank Duffield, business manager of *The Numismatist*, reported that during the 12 months ended July 31, 1930, the total postage bill for the monthly journal had come to $135.84. Mailing envelopes added another $61. Compare that with today!

There were also just 1,196 members in the ANA in 1930, contrasted with more than 30,000 today. Still, many tried to come to the annual convention; some things about the ANA never change.

The July, 1930 issue of *The Numismatist* (when convention publicity began), noted something that 1976 members can profit by: "We cannot overemphasize the advisability of making reservations early because of the popularity of the hotel...."

Rates and location have changed, but the advice is still valid. Those with earlier reservations will be guaranteed rooms in the spacious Americana Hotel. Those who delay may find themselves camped in nearby Central Park.

Bicentennial Medal Series

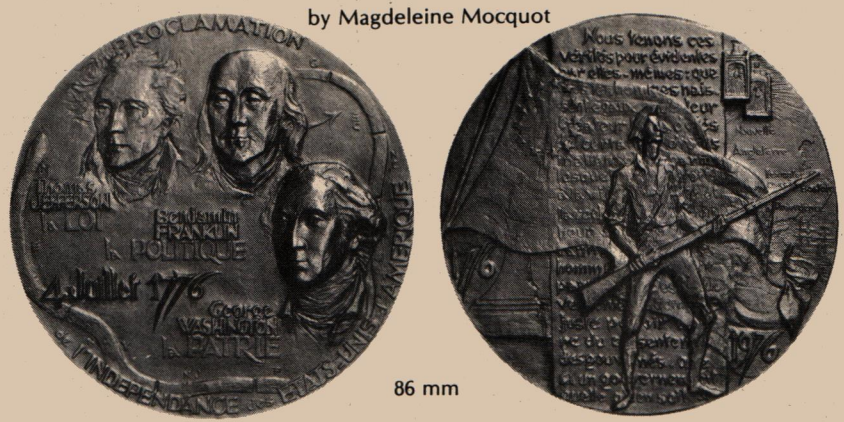
Second Prize

The portraits of the three principal figures who contributed to the independence of the United States — Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and George Washington — are honored on the obverse. Below each portrait is listed their field of contribution to the independence movement. Around at bottom is the severed snake, inspired from the frontispiece of a journal published by Benjamin Franklin, symbolizing the first thirteen states of America. Each segment is accompanied by the initial of each colony.

The reverse features the "Minuteman," the militiaman of independence, standing in front of an American flag of thirteen stars and the preamble to the Constitution authored by Jefferson. At left is the Liberty Bell and the date 1776. Two lanterns are at right that were used to signal the Colonists from the Old North Church in Boston. The outline of the coast of New England can also be seen.

This medal is available in bronze and silver for 60 francs (approx. $13.30 U.S.) and 1,036 francs ($230.20 U.S.) respectively.

by Magdeleine Mocquot

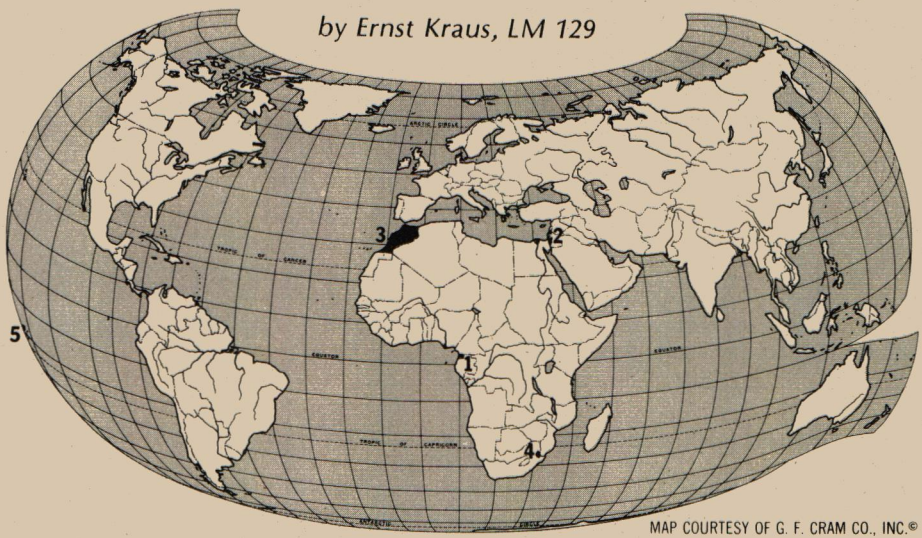


86 mm

To be issued later are the medal designs of Frederique Maillart (3rd prize), William Schiffer (4th prize), and Rene Merelle (5th prize). Correspondance and orders regarding this medal series should be directed to: Monnaie de Paris, 11 Quai de Conti, 75270 Paris-Cedex 06, France.

NEW AND RECENT ISSUES

by Ernst Kraus, LM 129



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It is the important duty of *The Numismatist* to record and illustrate new coins. To accomplish this, ANA members in the United States and abroad are invited to submit new issues to Ernst Kraus, Room 939 (include room number in address), 393 Seventh Ave., New York, N.Y. 10001. Coins will be photographed and returned as soon as possible, and a credit line will be given to anyone assisting.

1. Equatorial Guinea



Y-5. 1 Ekuele, 1975. Brass. Obverse: Portrait of President Francisco Macias Nguema to left, date 1975 below, legend around: REPUBLICA DE GUINEA ECUATORIAL. Reverse: A grouping of work tools in center, numeral 1 below, value above: EKUELE. Diameter: 18.5 mm. Weight: 2.4 gr.

Y-6. 5 Ekuele, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse similar to above. Reverse: In the left center, a man working in a canefield, in the right center a woman working in the cacaobean field. Value below and above: 5 EKUELE. Diameter: 20.5 mm. Weight: 3.37 gr.

Y-7. 10 Ekuele, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse similar to above. Reverse: A rooster within a shield in the center, value above and below: 10 EKUELE. Diameter: 24 mm. Weight: 5.3 gr.

The above 3 coins are the first ones to appear in circulation after a recent currency reform and are replacing the former Piastre denominations.



2. Israel

Y- . 10 Lirot, (Pounds) 1975. Silver .500 fine. Obverse: An 18th century Chanukkah candle-holder within a five pointed frame, Hebrew legend below: 18th CENTURY HANUKKIA FROM HOLLAND. Reverse: Legend within a five pointed frame: 10 LIROT, and the word ISRAEL in three lines in Hebrew, Arabic and English between ornaments. Underneath Gregorian and Hebrew dates: 1975 - 5736. Diameter: 34 mm. Weight: 20 gr. Edge: Plain.



3. Morocco FAO

Y-64. 5 Dirhems, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse: Portrait of the King to left, legend around: Al-Hasan al-Pani / Al-Mamlaka al-Magrabiyya (Hasan the Second/The Kingdom of Morocco). Reverse: Value written out and numeral across the center: "Kamsa 5 darahim (Five 5 Dirhems). Some local fruit above with Gregorian and Mohammedan dates: AD 1975 AH 1395. Below appears to be a large dam with FAO legend underneath: Dikra ta'sis al-munazzama al-'alamiya lil-tagdiya wa al-zira'a (Commemorating the Founding of the International Organization for Feeding and Agriculture). (Note the rather peculiar way that the FAO organization's name is given, The official Arabic form for the same name is not used here for reasons I do not know.) Diameter: 28.8 mm. Weight: 12.15 gr. Edge: Reeded.



4. Swaziland FAO

Y-16. 1 Lilangeni, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse: Portrait of King Sobhuza II. facing, legend below: SWAZILAND. Reverse: Mother and boy in center, facing. At upper left, symbol of Women's Year 1975, at left numeral 1, value and date below: LILANGENI 1975. Legend above: EQUALITY DEVELOPMENT PEACE. Diameter: 30 mm. Weight: 11.50 gr. Edge: Milled

Issued in conjunction with FAO of the United Nations and struck at the Royal Mint.



5. Tonga FAO

Y- . 1 Seniti, 1975. Bronze. Obverse: Ear of corn in center, date below, legend above; TONGA. Reverse: A pig to right,

value below: 1 SENITI, legend above: FAKALAHI ME'AKAI (Increase food). Diameter: 17.5 mm. Weight: 1.9 gr. Edge: Plain.



Y- . 2 Seniti, 1975. Bronze. Obverse: Symbol of World Population Year within a wreath, date below. Legend around: PLANNED FAMILIES — FOOD FOR ALL. Reverse: 2 Melons, value below: 2 SENITI, TONGA above. Diameter: 21 mm. Weight: 3.9 gr. Edge: Plain.



Y- . 5 Seniti, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse: A hen with 4 chicks, date below, TONGA above. Reverse: A bunch of 5 bananas in center, value below: 5 SENITI, FAKALAHI ME'AKAI above. Diameter: 19.4 mm. Weight: 2.7 gr. Edge: Milled or reeded.



Y- . 10 Seniti, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse: Portrait of King Tupou IV, in uniform, facing. Legend below: TONGA 1975, above: FAO. Reverse: A herd of 10 cows, with legend above: FAKALAHI ME'AKAI, value below: 10 SENITI. Diameter: 23.5 mm. Weight: 5.5 gr. Edge: Milled.

Y- . 20 Seniti, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse similar to above. Reverse: A line of 20 bees circling a beehive. Value below: 20 Seniti, FAO legend as above, on top. Diameter: 28.5 mm. Weight: 11 gr. Edge: Milled.



Y- . 50 Seniti, 1975. Cupro-Nickel. Obverse similar to above. Reverse: 5 Circles of 50 fish, FAO legend above, value below: 50 SENITI, Diameter: 32.5 mm. Weight: 14.5 gr. Edge: Plain. Planchet: 12 sided.

All Tonga FAO coins were struck at the Royal Australian Mint in Canberra.

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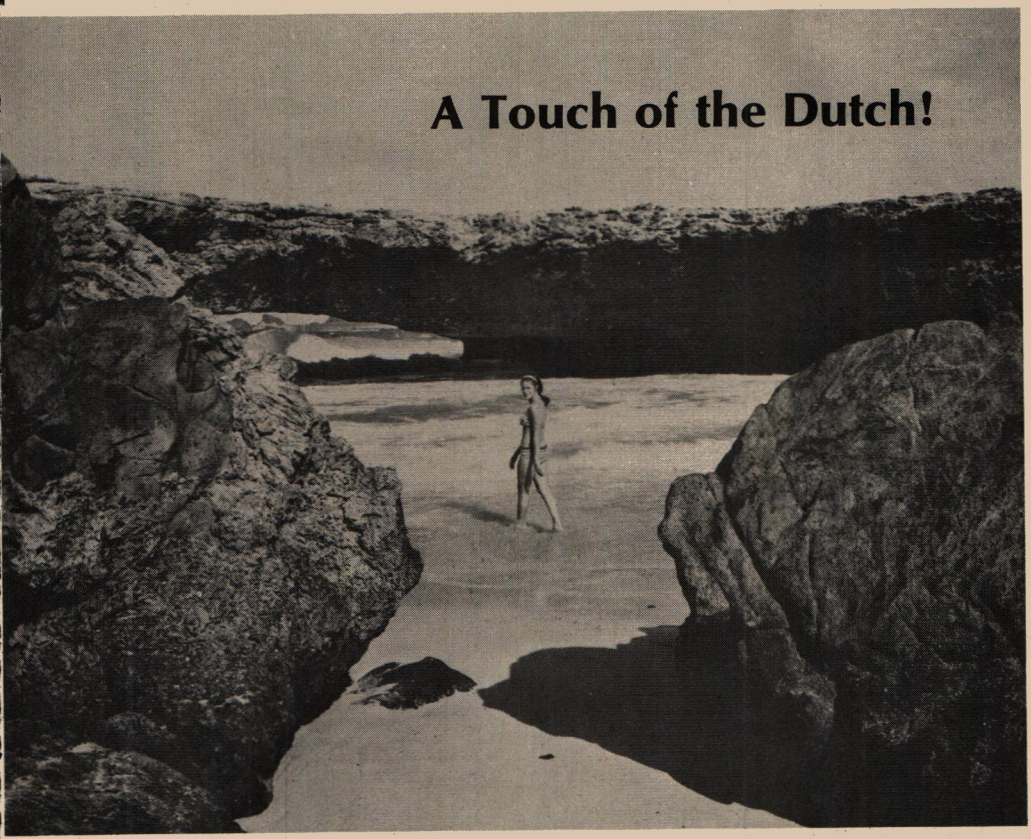
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Aruba is a special place where endless opportunities for sightseeing and numismatic adventure await you. There's ruins of old gold mills to see, even some of yesterday's shipwrecks. Then there are natural bridges that span silent coves, as you see here, and caves that hide Indian writings that span the ages.

Netherlands Antilles Target For ANA Post Convention Tour

Like a 1916-D dime, Aruba is a rare find. Selected as the site for the American Numismatic Association's third annual post-convention tour, this island is one of six comprising the Netherlands Antilles (the others are Curacao, Bonaire, and the Dutch Windwards — St. Maarten, St. Eustatius, and Saba). Its beaches are the best in the Caribbean, probably the finest on earth, but even so that's not the reason that Aruba was selected for this year's tour.

This is America's Bicentennial year, and any collector of modern world coins will tell you that the Netherlands Antilles was the first foreign group to recognize the new American flag following independence. The Dutch governor of St. Eustatius ordered an 11-gun salute on November 16, 1776, to salute the Colonial sloop, Andrew Doria.

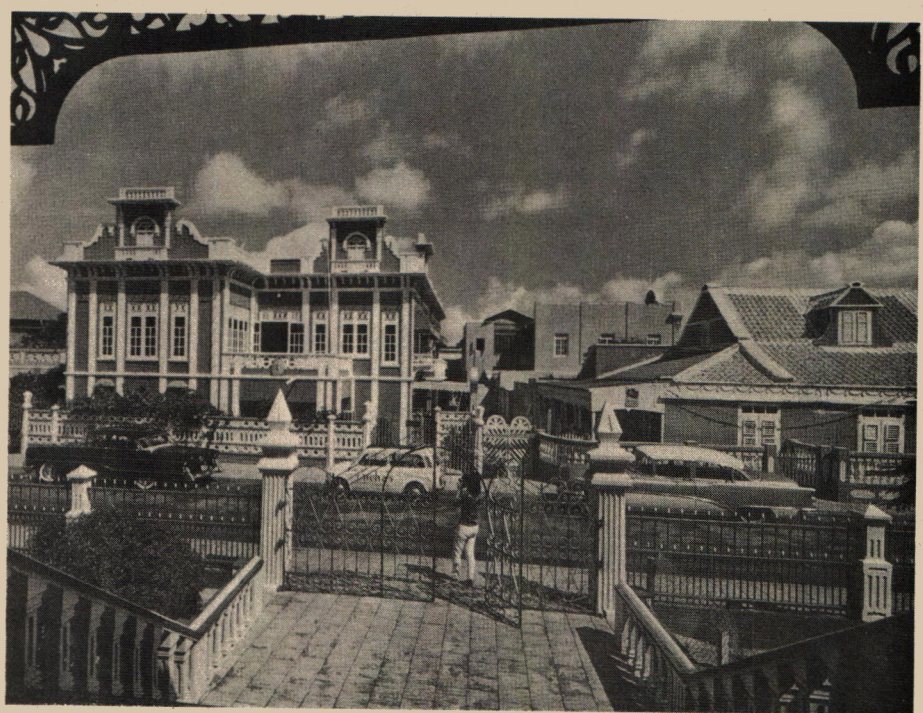
Infuriated, England sent Admiral George Rodney to seek revenge. He captured the island and sacked it. Once called the "Golden Rock," it has never recovered. Nor have its people forgotten. An island calypso, the rhythm beckoning, tells the story:

Me grandfather said we did right
To salute the stars and stripes;
But Rodney came,
And destroyed the Golden Rock fame.
Thirteen salute came from Andrew Doria an American boat;
Eleven salute Sint Eustatius report.
Trade and ammunition all was free,
That's what we did for their liberty.
Now what the American is doin' for we?
They must remember the destruction by Rodney!

As any modern collector will tell, there's a coin with the Andrew Doria on it. In fact, there are two: a 200 guilder gold commemorative and a 25 guilder silver. Plans are being formulated to present a silver uncirculated specimen in a special holder to each participant, a numismatic souvenir well worth the cost of the trip alone.

The Bicentennial connection with Aruba is important, but there are many other reasons why Aruba was selected and none is of greater importance than the fact that American Airlines is the official carrier for the 1976 convention and the Americana Hotel is the convention headquarters. By using these facilities a more economic tour was arranged. You'll wing your way across the Caribbean on an American luxury jet and stay at the luxurious Americana Hotel in Aruba.

Departure will be from Kennedy International Airport, New York on Monday, August 30. Special arrangements have been completed for complimentary cocktails for tour members followed by a meal service of the Caribbean emphasizing the traditional multinational flavors of the islands. Paul Whitnah, prominent young numismatist now with American Airlines, will serve as the official airline host and representative on this adventure.



Bonbini welcome to Aruba, as the natives say it. Here's a chance to enjoy a touch of the Dutch on a Caribbean island that is truly different. Government officials will meet with members of the post-convention adventure to tell about the coins of the islands.



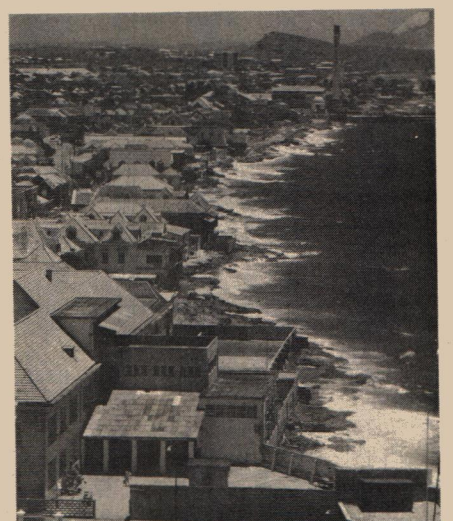
Discover the Divi Divi tree, formed by the ever present trade winds that cool the islands to a moderate 83 degrees during the summer. The unusual tree grows straight for about eight to ten feet then takes off horizontally always pointing to the southwest.

By stretching your numismatic imagination you might enjoy playing the money games at the Americana Aruba's Casino de Casino. There's blackjack, roulette, dice, and slot machines — great games of chance. The Americana is arranging for one of their gambling chits or tokens to be mounted in a special holder, one more numismatic souvenir of Aruba.

After a week of convention pacing, you can unwind on the broad beaches, snatch a few winks in the shade under a thatched roof hut, polish your game of tennis or try your hand at deep sea fishing. For swimming you'll have your choice of the crystal clear Caribbean or the Americana's giant pool.

Now the more adventurous may want to take an optional sojourn to Curacao for a day, or even to Caracas, Venezuela. Aruba is just 15 miles north of the Venezuelan coast.

If you have ever wanted to go to



Curacao is an optional side trip for the third ANA post-convention adventure. Here we see the coastline at Willemstad, capital city of Curacao.

Holland but could not, try Aruba. It's little capital city, Oranjestad, is as Dutch as a windmill (there's even one there), and far more interesting. Originally settled by the Arawak Indians from Venezuela, Aruba was claimed by Spain's Alonso de Ojeda in 1499. The Dutch won the island in 1634 during the Holy Wars, and except for brief invasions by the British and Venezuelans, it has been under Netherlands rule ever since.

As numismatists you will be interested in the currency. Official rate of exchange for the Netherlands Antilles florin (or guilder) is about 1.85 to the U.S. dollar, a florin being equal to 54¢ U.S. Most shops, however, make the exchange an easy two for one.

There'll be more on the Aruba adventure in weeks to come, but basically the tour package features an oceanview accommodation with balcony, preregistration, roundtrip transfers between airport and hotel, baggage handling at hotel and airport on arrival and departure, farewell cocktail reception, daily chaise lounge poolside, one cocktail and show in Le Club Lounge, a manager's cocktail party, Aruba hotel tax, service charge for all features *AND* round trip air fare via American Airlines. All this for only $269.95.

That price is especially inviting when one considers that the regular roundtrip coach airfare to Aruba is $424. Not only are you saving over half again on the airfare, but your luxury hotel room is thrown in along with five days and four nights of adventure and fun.

Will the trip be worth every penny? Just ask anyone who has been on a previous ANA post-convention adventure tour. The group will be limited in size, so send today for a brochure. Or better still, send a $25 deposit to reserve a spot for you, or $50 for husband and wife. Further information is available directly from ANA headquarters, P.O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

Bicentennial of First Union Flag



The First Union Flag Bicentennial Commemorative Medal has recently been issued by The American Bicentennial Commemorative Society. That commemorative — honoring George Washington unfurling the First Union Flag, on the 200th anniversary of that historic event — marks only the 10th Commemorative issued by the Society.

Designed and sculptured by Abram Belskie, recipient of the ANA's 1974 Sculptor of the Year Award, the obverse of the First Union Flag Bicentennial Commemorative features Washington unfurling the First Union Flag. The symbolic reverse includes 13 stars, the First Union Flag, and the present American Flag.

The American Bicentennial Commemorative Society is dedicated to honoring the men and events that contributed to American independence 200 years ago, through the issuance of high quality, limited edition commemorative medals. The Society will issue one new commemorative medal each month throughout the Bicentennial era. A total of 76 medals will be issued in all.

Information on becoming a member of The American Bicentennial Commemorative Society may be obtained by writing to Jack Hamilton at Society Headquarters — Box 1776, Springfield, PA 19064.

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Gizzi Penny

Africa is the source of some of the most unusual money ever circulated and the Gizzi penny (often spelled gitzi or kissi) is one example of strange money from the western part of that continent.

A gizzi penny is named after the tribe which originated it and is a pencil thick length of twisted iron, usually about 14 to 16 inches in length, but often appearing in lengths up to several feet. One end is flattened to a round shape, the other like a double tail.

The natives believed them to be a "penny with a soul" and should the piece be broken the soul escaped and the services of a medicine man were required to repair it, thereby returning its soul.

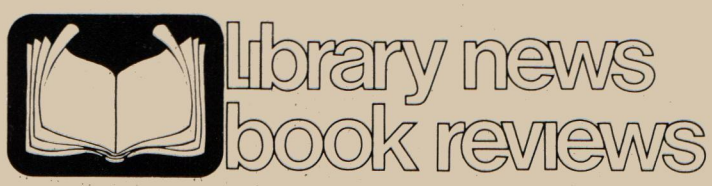
The gizzi penny circulated in Liberia, Sierra Leone and French Guinea and is one of many types of iron money of Africa.

For further reading the following books are available from the ANA library through our "borrow by mail" service.

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QG30 G5	Gibbs, H.	**Odd and Curious Money of the World**
QB40 Q5	Quiggin, A.	**A Survey of Primitive Money**
QB30 S5	Sigler, P.	**Strange Money of the World**

Durst World Gold Coin Book Available

Through the courtesy of Sanford J. Durst, author, we have received 50 copies of his book, *Contemporary World Gold Coins, 1934-1974* published in 1975. As long as the supply lasts you may order this book from the ANA Librarian, P. O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, 80901. The price is $8.95 postpaid.



All books listed here are available to members on a loan basis from the ANA library. Loan requests should list the book's catalog number.
Members wishing to purchase these books can quite often acquire them from a dealer more quickly and easily than from a publisher. In other cases, write to the address listed with each book.

UB40 M8 LES BILLETS DE LA BANQUE DE FRANCE by Maurice Muszynski. 1975. 120 pp. Illus. Hard Cover. Societe Numismatique de Paris et SA Region (S.N.P.R.), 4 av. des Marronniers, 94350 Villiers sur Marne, France. $20.

Written in French, this is a complete catalog of the paper money of the Bank of France from 1800 to 1975. The text is prefaced by a legislative history of the bank and the catalog itself describes over 500 notes as to signatures, dates, numbers and varieties. Although most of the illustrations are black and white, the book is enhanced by several pages of colored pictures.

JN30 S2 SAID MALTA STAMP AND COIN CATALOGUE, 1976 by Emmanuel Said. 1976. 269 pp. Illus. Soft Cover. Emmanuel Said, Malta Stamps and Coins, 32 Britannia St., Valletta, Malta. Approx. $2.25 U.S.

A philatelic and numismatic compendium in its seventh edition, enlarged to embrace further informative data. Details of all stamp issues, postal stationery, town and village postmarks are listed. A short history of the monetary system is followed by a listing of coins and currency.

JF90 L5M3 LES MONNAIES DE JEAN-THEODORE DE BAVAIERE, PRINCE-EVEQUE DE LIEGE, 1744-1763 by Pierre Magain. 1964. 64 pp. Illus. Paper Cover. Cercle D'Etudes Numismatiques. Available from Frank & Laurese Katen, P. O. Box 4047, Coleville, Silver Springs, MD 20904. $13.

Although this is not a newly published book, it is noteworthy because it is one of a series of specialized catalogs. This volume covers the coinage of Jean Theodore de Baviere, prince-bishop of the independent church state of Liege, 1744-1763.

JF79 T5 LES TRESORS MONETAIRES GAULOIS ET ROMAINS TROUVES EN BELGIQUE by Marcel Thirion. 1967. 208 pp. Paper Cover. Frank & Laurese Katen, P. O. Box 4047, Coleville, Silver Springs, MD 20904. $17.

This is a listing of all of the Gallic and Roman coin hoards that have been found in Belgium, with a map showing their locations. Limited to the researcher who can read French, it is nevertheless a valuable specialized work on this subject.

JF30 M4 SPECIALE CATALOGUS VAN DE NEDERLANDSE MUNTEN VAN 1795 TOT HEDEN by Johan Mevius. 1976. 96 pp. Illus. Paper Cover. Mevius & Hirschhorn Int. B.V. Available from F. J. Boss Associates, 590 North 5th West, Manti, Utah 84642. $4.75.

The 1976 edition of a book published yearly in Holland covering their coins from 1795 to date. Values are given in francs, however there is a conversion table included. In addition to Holland proper, listings embrace Netherlands West Indies, Surinam, Curacao and the Netherlands Antilles.

The following listed books are new editions or second printings of standard reference books:

GA80 M3 MAKING MONEY AT THE PHILADELPHIA MINT AND THE AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY: a reprint of articles originally appearing in Harper's New Monthly Magazine, 1861 - 1862. 1975. 36 pp. Illus. Paper Cover. George A. Flanagan, P. O. Box 191, Babylon, NY 11702. $2.95.

JB87 B7 1975 A GUIDE BOOK OF ENGLISH COINS by Ken Bressett. Eighth Edition. 1975. 144 pp. Illus. Hard Cover. Western Publishing Co., 1220 Mound Ave., Racine, WI 53404. $3.50.

GA70 S6 COLONIAL COPIES, PRIVATE MINT REPLICAS, MODERN COUNTERFEITS OF UNITED STATES COINS by Larry Spanbauer. 1975. 75 pp. Illus. Paper Cover. Larry Spanbauer, 1119 S. Westfield St., Oshkosh, WI $4.25.

A book which every coin dealer can find to be a time saver. Regularly, amateur collectors call upon dealers to appraise copper-plated cast lead replicas of the extremely rare American Colonial pieces shown in the Red Book. Disappointment, even disbelief on the part of the collector, can be avoided by showing him the picture of his fake in the Spanbauer book. Coin clubs might also find this book a helpful addition to their library.

KB70 C3D3 v.1 THE CATALOG AND GUIDEBOOK OF SOUTHWEST ASIAN COINS AND CURRENCY (V.1: FRENCH COLONIAL) by Howard A. Daniel, III. 1975. 110 pp. Illus. Paper Cover. $15. (Please write to the author for availability: 1570 Cameron Crescent Drive, Reston, VA 22090)

This is volume one of a projected series on Southeast Asia and covers French Cochinchina, French Indochina, French Cambodia, French Laos, French Vietnam and French Thailand. The coins and paper money of each area are well described and illustrated, and commendably, each section is prefaced by a brief history of the area involved.

KD20 C8 MODERN JAPANESE COINAGE, 1870 TO DATE by Michael L. Cummings. 1975. 112 pp. Illus. Soft Cover. Michael L. Cummings, P. O. Box 2184, Key West, FL 33040. $5.

The collector of Japanese coins will find his hobby greatly enhanced by reading this book. Mr. Cummings furnishes an historical background of early Japanese coinage that lead to the development of machine struck coins in 1870. He includes information on the Osaka Mint, chop marks, gin stamps, porcelain coinage, and mints and mint marks. Legends and dating systems are explained followed by a complete listing of all coinage from 1870 to date with valuations, composition,weight and diameter.

JB60 N6 THOMAS SIMON, His Life and Work, 1618-1665 by Alan J. Nathanson. 1975. 60 pp. Illus. Hard Cover. Seaby Publications Ltd, Audley House, 11 Margaret St., W1N 8AT, London, England. Approximately $10.87 U. S. dollars.

Mr. Nathanson has studied the widely scattered contemporary sources of information on Thomas Simon, combined it with gleanings from the classic study of him by George Vertue written in 1753, and has emerged with a rounded portrait of this well-known designer and engraver. A beautiful book for those interested in numismatic art.

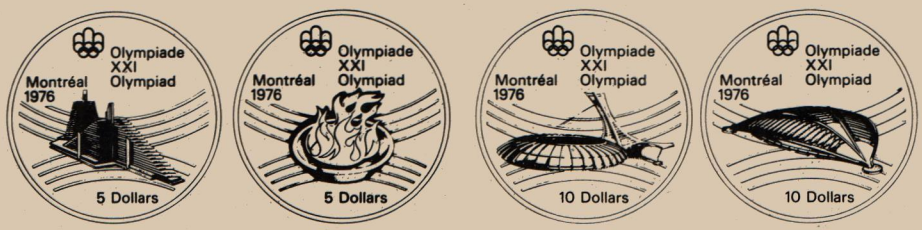
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WORLD COIN NEWS

CANADA — *Last Olympic Coin Series Announced*



The seventh and final series of the sterling silver 1976 Canadian Olympic coins will be the Olympic Souvenir Series.

The designs, by Elliot Morrison, a Toronto-based graphic artist, depict (from left) the Olympic Village, the Olympic Flame, and the Olympic Stadium where the opening and closing ceremonies (July 17 and August 1), and such sports as track and field, will be held. The fourth design is the Olympic Velodrome, site of most cycling and judo events.

The Souvenir Series, which becomes available in June, will complete the full 28-coin set. Themes of the six proceding series are: Geographic; Ancient Olympic Motifs; Early Canadian Sports; Olympic Track and Field Sports; Olympic Water Sports, and Olympic Team and Body Contact Sports.

Additional information is available from: Jacqueline Schiller, Canadian Olympic Coin Program, 1251 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10020.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS — *New Coinage Honors Bicentennial*



The Government of the Turks and Caicos Islands has authorized the Royal Canadian Mint to strike a 50 Crown gold and a 20 Crown silver coin commemorating the United States Bicentennial.

The designs on both coins are identical. The common reverse bears the facing profile cameos of King George III and George Washington. This positioning is indeed ususual in that the two men never saw eye-to-eye on anything in their lifetimes. The large oval cameos are set below the surface of the coin — incused. This unusual design technique further emphasizes the three-dimensional effect of the reliefs. The common obverse design is the classic Arnold Machin portrait of Queen Elizabeth II.

These coins are legal tender in the Turks and Caicos Islands and can be redeemed there for U.S. currency. In fact, the Turks and Caicos Islands is the only country in the world with coinage featuring the following inscription on the coin's edge: "Redeemable at Turks and Caicos for U.S. Currency."

The 50 Crown gold coin, measuring 21.5 mm in diameter and weighing 96 grains, contains .500 fine gold. The 20 Crown silver coin, measuring 45 mm in diameter and weighing 600 grains, contains solid sterling silver. Both coins are available in proof and uncirculated condition. The 50 Crown proof gold coin is priced at $75 plus shipping and handling. The 20 Crown proof silver coin is priced at $30 plus shipping and handling. Uncirculated specimens may be obtained at face value plus shipping and handling. (1 Crown Turks and Caicos Islands is equivalent to $1 U.S.)

The official ordering deadline date for these coins is April 30, 1976. For more information, write to Paramount International Coin Corporation, 600 Union Rd., Englewood, Ohio 45322.

UNITED STATES — *Littleton Plant Termed 'Ideal' for New Denver Mint*

The political battle over the location of the new Denver Mint began heating up in mid February as two members of Congress debated the merits — and costs — of the new facility in the nation's press.

Directly involved in the political maneuvering are Rep. Patricia Schroeder (D-Colo.), whose congressional district includes the current Denver Mint and the proposed Park Hill site of the new facility, and Rep. William L. Armstrong (R-Colo.), who wants the new mint established at the Gates Rubber Co. plant in Littleton, in his district. Also involved in the dispute are Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm, the City of Denver, the Colorado Senate and House of Representatives, the Bureau of the Mint, the Treasury Department and the Denver Post.

Although Rep. Schroeder has repeatedly challenged estimated cost savings of between $25 million and $29 million that would be realized from relocating in Littleton, the Mint Bureau and General Service Administration have issued a joint report saying the Littleton tire plant can be converted to mint use at a saving to the taxpayers of $25.3 million.

"It is almost as if this facility had been designed as a mint," the Mint-GSA report states. "Admittedly, some modifications and alterations to the facility would be required to accommodate mint special criteria, such as coin storage, public visitors, additional security, additional interior utilities and noise control." The report continued, "The GSA team has examined the structure in detail in comparison with the new mint design criteria and all applicable federal specifications, codes and requirements. GSA has determined that in general the Littleton plant is an excellently designed and constructed modern industrial facility situated in an appropriate aesthetic setting."

To put the Littleton plant in "like-new condition," the report says some roof repair would be necessary in about five years, along with "provision for positive drainage away from the building, minor repairs to floors, cleaning and repainting of portions of the interior." "All of these items have been included in the cost estimate," the report adds. "GSA has concluded that this structure with these modifications and improvements would be ideal as the new Mint."

Concerning the cost factors, the report says development of the Park Hill site and construction of a completely new facility there would total about $46.5 million, based on Jan. 1, 1975 estimates. Costs of converting the Gates plant in Littleton to like-new condition, including modifications, additions, improvements and an allowance for contingencies and a cost escalation factor to the mid-point of the construction period is $12.7 million. "Adding this to the acquisition price of $8.5 million produces a total estimated cost for a new mint in the Gates facility of $21.2 million. Thus, the estimated savings of using the Gates facility versus construction of a new mint in Park Hill is $25.3 million," the report continued. In addition to the cost of new mint construction — or conversion of the Littleton plant — establishment of a new Denver Mint would involve an estimated $18 million for procuring, relocating and installing production equipment and material handling systems. However, the report stresses, those costs would be the same at both locations.

Schroeder Challenges

"Complete and utter nonsense" was the way Rep. Schroeder described the Mint-GSA report, which was released Feb. 19. The Denver Congresswoman said the report "simply adds more documents to the already confusing and conflicting pile of studies, scribblings, figures, proposals, plans and other bureaucratic rubbish emanating from the Bureau of the Mint and the GSA." Mrs. Schroeder also described the report and its cost-comparison figures as "absolutely unreliable."

The report was prepared following a six-day inspection of the Gates plant by a 17-man task force of mint and GSA engineers headed by Frank Rhea, mint facilities project manager in Denver who made the original proposal of the site shift to Littleton. As a result of the task force's findings, Mrs. Schroeder said she would request a meeting with Treasury Secretary William Simon prior to a Senate committee hearing on the matter, scheduled for Feb. 27. Earlier, Simon had offered emphatic support for the potential savings outlined in the report.

However, a Schroeder aid said the requested meeting with Simon was an attempt to at least blunt any formal support the Bureau of the Mint might offer for the Littleton site prior to the Feb. 27 hearing. Before the task force report was released, the Mint Bureau had taken a neutral stand on the matter.

Armstrong Denials

Meanwhile, Rep. Armstrong denied Mrs. Schroeder's previous charge that he was "playing politics" with the mint site issue. He also rejected her contentions that removal of the mint from Denver proper would hurt the city financially and undermine its urban renewal program.

"I don't see any mass exodus of mint employees to Littleton," Armstrong said. "I imagine they'll continue to live in the Denver area and trade there." Concerning the tourists trade, Armstrong said, "I can't conceive of anyone coming to our area and not visiting Denver. That tourists would visit the mint (if located in Littleton) and leave without visiting Denver is sheer fantasy."

Armstrong conceded, however, that loss of the mint could possibly hurt Denver's core-area revitalization program. But he maintained that could happen even if a new mint is constructed at Park Hill. "Park Hill is not in Denver's core area," he said. "Consequently, I fail to see how putting the mint there could bolster core-area urban renewal efforts."

Other Challenges

On Feb. 18, a committee of the Colorado House of Representatives voted 9-2 in favor of keeping the mint in Denver. The House State Affairs Committee endorsed a resolution introduced by Rep. Arie Taylor (D-Denver), whose district includes the Park Hill site.

During discussions on the resolution, Ms. Taylor contended that Colorado "stands a very serious chance of losing the mint entirely" in the controversy over site selection. Ms. Taylor's resolution, which is a request from the Colorado House to the U.S. Congress to continue with the original plan, is given little chance of passage in the Republican-dominated Colorado Senate, despite bipartisan support in the House. Echoing Ms. Taylor's sentiments was Colorado Gov. Lamm, who told a news conference that continued "geographic squabbing" could lose the facility for the entire state.

Post Concurs

In two separate articles, Denver Post writers Leonard Larsen and Art Branscombe turned thumbs down on the proposal to shift the mint to Littleton.

"There is something screwy about this mint business," said Larsen, who is chief of the Post's Washington bureau. "On an average day the Federal Government will spill more than $25.3 million...." Larsen said. "But now to hear some of them tell it — including Rep. Armstrong — the savings' in the site shift should be the overwhelming consideration, ranking that objective up there with balancing the federal budget. If all of a sudden these federal officials have discovered the empty Gates factory-

warehouse would make an "ideal" mint and that they can save a bundle of money in the process, how come they never before seriously considered some other empty building?"

Larson concluded, "The mint officials should — at the very least — be forced to sit down and eat the stacks of earlier reports, studies and documentations which concluded that the new mint should be that and not a discarded tire factory or any other reject."

The other article, titled, "Build the Denver Mint on the Park Hill Site," was written by Art Branscombe, the Post's education editor who is a long-time resident of the Park Hill area.

"Even if it would cost $29 million, or more, to keep the mint in Denver, rather than move it to Littleton, there is one over-powering reason to do so. Let me put it this way," Branscombe said. "If your mother were a little run down — not dying or anything, but noticeably somewhat anemic — would you start drawing blood from her to give the pretty — but healthy — girl next door? "If not, why would you — or anybody in their right mind — move the mint to Littleton? Littleton is healthy; it doesn't need a transfusion. And Denver isn't as healthy as it used to be. Financially and sociologically, it is a bit anemic."

Branscombe goes on to say that Park Hill was a pioneer in the movement toward integrated race relations and depriving the community of the new mint would be an economic setback.

Denver Opposition

A major factor in Denver's opposition to changing to the Littleton site — apart from the loss to the economy — is the funds the city has already spent in connection with the Park Hill location.

Although the Federal Government paid Denver $1.5 million for the 35-acre Park Hill tract, the city has spent $2,093,000 at the site and currently is $593,000 "in the hole" on the project, according to Ed Sullivan, an aide to Denver Mayor Bill McNichols. Sullivan said the city's expenditures included $1.2 million to the Clayton Trust for the land; $550,000 for construction of nine holes of a golf course that had to be relocated; $200,000 in associated costs.

Sullivan added that the city had incurred additional costs in connection with an earlier attempt to relocate the mint at a site near the South Platte River. Those costs included $50,000 in legal and survey expenses, $250,000 for purchase of property. Also, the city is being sued for $1 million by a firm that moved its plant out of the area. — *NNW*

notes and queries

Whitman to Market Seaby Books in the United States

Whitman Coin Products of Racine, Wisconsin, and B. A. Seaby, Ltd., of London, have announced a joint arrangement making the Whitman firm the principal distributor of Seaby coin books throughout the United States. The English firm presently distributes all Whitman coin products throughout Great Britain and Europe.

The intention of the new marketing system is to make each publisher's books more readily available to collectors on both continents. Seaby books will not be sold on a direct retail basis by the Whitman firm. They will be available through all authorized Whitman dealers.

Collectors in the U.S. have always held the Seaby books in high regard because of their excellent quality and thorough coverage of numismatic subjects. Up to now, many of the popular titles have not been readily available through local coin dealers. Books published by the two firms complement each other in that there is very little overlapping of

subject materal. The Seaby books are particularly strong in their coverage of coins of the ancient world, as well as English coins and tokens. Whitman reference books are used throughout the world as standard guides to all modern world coins, and especially all United States issues.

Seaby will continue to print and publish in England. Supplies will be warehoused in the U.S. by Whitman, and distributed in conjunction with its regular line of coin books, folders, albums, and other collectors' supplies. A total of fifteen of the most popular Seaby books are now available for sale in the States through coin dealers and book stores.

Whitman Publishing has produced coin collectors' supplies since 1936 and is the largest manufacturer of coin books in the world. B. A. Seaby, Ltd., was started as a retail coin business in 1926. Since 1945 they have published the monthly Seaby's Bulletin, and over the years have produced numerous catalogs on various numismatic subjects. Both firms share an international reputation in the coin hobby for their high quality, expertly written reference books for both beginners and advanced collectors.

World Coin Catalog in Second Printing

With its initial inventory virtually exhausted within weeks, Krause Publications has prepared a second printing of the 1976 edition of the *Standard Catalog of World Coins.* Shipments to distributors began in early February.

The 1976 *Standard Catalog of World Coins* covers coins as far back as 1800 from 563 countries, states, provinces and cities. The huge 1,376 page volume includes over 30,000 original coin photos and lists over 50,000 coins of the world by country, date and mint. Comprehensive coverage of non-circulating legal tender coins are included within each country's listing. The second printing also includes a small number of revisions due to minor errors discovered in the first printing.

Special features include a guide to standard international numeral systems, a guide to standard international grading terminology and abbreviations, a table of foreign exchange rates for twenty-four of the most popular currencies of the world, and complete mintage statistics and values. Values are given in three or more grades.

Priced at $19.50, the 1976 *Standard Catalog of World Coins* is available from most hobby shops and coin dealers, or direct from the publisher: Krause Publications, Inc., Iola, WI 54945.

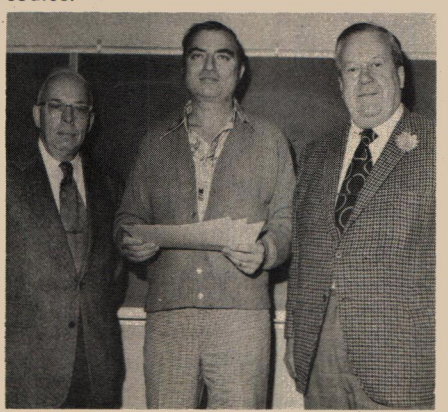
Adelphi Univ. Conducts Coin Course

"The Lure and Lore of Numismatics" was the title of the first course of this type presented by Adelphi University's Center of Money Management and Banking on its campus at Garden City, N.Y.

Stanley Apfelbaum, president of First Coinvestors, Inc., Albertson, N.Y., at the invitation of Dean James Bender of the Center, organized and lectured the course.

Eighteen students registered for the course, which was presented in six sessions. Apfelbaum shared the lecturing assignment with such numismatic notables as Charles Hoskins of the American Numismatic Association Certification Service and Henry Grunthal,

A. George Mallis, Stanley Apfelbaum and Dean James Bender of Adelphi University, Garden City, N.Y. (l to r) distribute diplomas to students completing the university's first course in numismatics. Mallis was guest lecturer at the final session of the six-week course.



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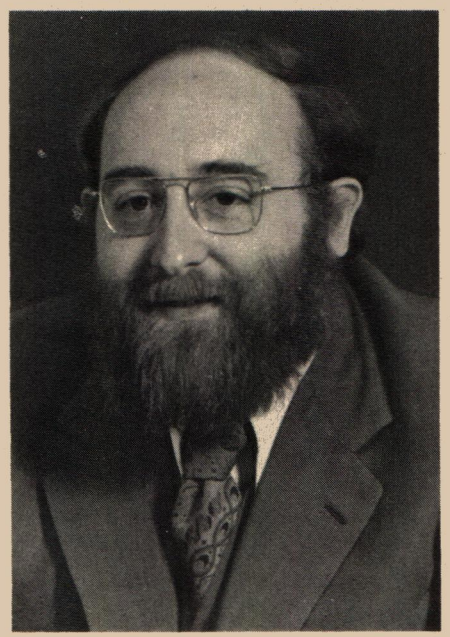
FCI staff members who also lectured included Walter Breen, A. George Mallis, Sylvia Haffner, Elsie Gil and William Gay, as well as Herbert Melnick of the FCI subsidiary, Pine Tree Auction Co., Inc.

Following the final session of the course, which featured A. George Mallis on the podium, Dean Bender celebrated its successful completion by offering "good cheer and a glass of good wine" to all who participated.

"Fritz" Weber Joins FCI

Frederick G. "Fritz" Weber has joined First Coinvestors, Inc. as director of its Colonial coin program. Fritz will also act as consultant to Sylvia Haffner in foreign and ancient coin programs. Weber has 20 years numismatic experience with 15 years of that as an independent dealer.

Fritz Weber is one of the small handful of acknowledged experts in the field of Colonial paper money. He has served as consultant and cataloguer to several of the oldest and most prestigious numismatic firms in the world in this regard. He also is knowledgeable in the field of U.S. obsolete paper money.



Frederick G. "Fritz" Weber

As a professional dealer in Colonial coins since the early '60's, his experience in the field ranks among the top five professionals in the field. Among Colonial rarities he has handled in the past are: one of the two known Rhode Island Ship Tokens in pewter, the second finest known Ryder 16 Vermont Cent, a George Clinton Cent, and a 1709 New York paper note. Walter Breen, more than six years ago, trusted Fritz's integrity and experience enough to allow Fritz to sell his (Walter's) Colonial paper money collection.

In addition to the expertise Fritz provides in Colonial Americana, the breadth of his knowledge extends to foreign numismatics as well. Before joining FCI, he was well known in European dealer circles, making several trips each year across the Atlantic.

Fritz Weber holds a B.A. in Philosophy, and briefly taught logic at Lehigh University and English Literature and Philosophy at the Severn Preparatory School. He is 33 years old and unmarried. He was born, and has spent most of his life in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

IBNS Selects '76 Congress Organizer

Every year the International Bank Note Society London Committee has the task of selecting a chairman and organizer for the Annual Congress in London. Qualifications to gain the honor are service to the Society over an extended period and to be a known collector of distinction.

The I.B.N.S. London Committee has asked Yasha Beresiner to be chairman and organizer for the Congress, and we are pleased to announce he has accepted the position. Included amongst his previous achievements are authorship of five books on bank note collecting, I.B.N.S. magazine editor, and meetings organizer. Every call to serve the Society has been met over a period of many years.

Further announcements concerning the Congress will be made by chairman and organizer Yasha Beresiner.

A Bicentennial Birthday Gift From Numismatists To Uncle Sam

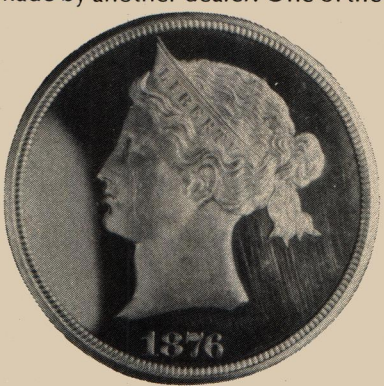
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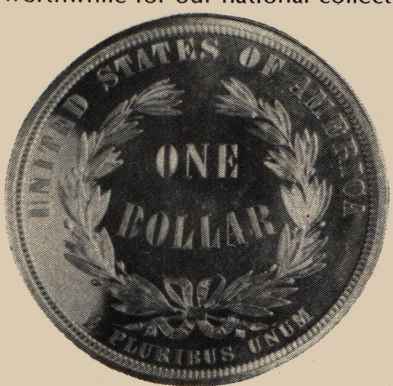
Some months ago as I was relaxing, going over magazines, circulars and the wealth of material that comes in the mail regularly, I became fascinated by the many and varied plans being made to celebrate our country's 200th birthday. Why not some plan in which numismatists could participate? Why not something that would last, something that would be remembered, something our national collection lacked?

For years, our good friend Dr. Clain-Stefanelli, curator of the National Coin Collection in the Smithsonian Institution yearned to acquire the set of silver pattern dollars of 1876. Of the eight pieces in the set, 7 were of Rarity 8, indicating that only 2 or 3 pieces were minted and in these instances only 2. The set could be made available. It had been put together by Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, the foremost name in the pattern field. I had acquired it and sold it to a pair of dealers for $100,000.

In August of 1975, an offer of $100,000 was made by another dealer. One of the owners favored acceptance, the other was against it. The latter came to me for advice. He didn't want to sell at that price, yet he knew that the other owner could use the cash at that time. I suggested that I would be glad to buy the other owner's half interest for $50,-000 and this resolved the matter and they were both happy.

It was several months later that the thoughts came to me for a Bicentennial Birthday present for Uncle Sam ... and the 1876 set came to mind. Here was a chance for us to do something really worthwhile for our national collection.











Personally, I have taken pride in the parts I have played to help acquire certain outstanding material now housed in the Smithsonian Institution — notably the famous Josiah K. Lilly Collection of United States and foreign gold coins and the memorable collection of Russian Coins and Medals formed by the Grand Duke George Mikhailovitch.

I spoke to the co-owner of the set and we agreed to make it available. The price we had set of $175,000 was to be reduced to the $100,000 cost. I refused to consider any profit or other compensation for investment, risk, or interest. The President of the American Numismatic Association has agreed, in his capacity as a private citizen and as a numismatist, to act as honorary chairman of the Committee. The leading personalities of the numismatic press have pledged complete cooperation. The Smithsonian has cleared the decks by appraisals and legal opinions and awaits the presentation eagerly. We hope to have honorary chairman Virgil Hancock make the presentation on July 4, 1976.

The only one we must hear from is you, the numismatist. Already we have had some substantial contributions, but we want every one to participate. We would like to accompany the presentation with a scroll on which tens of thousands of names, yours included, will appear.

Here are just a few notes from contributors.

"Enclosed is a money order for $50 to be used for fund to purchase the presentation set. I'm hoping this can be accomplished." E.J.H. Peoria, Ill.

"Thanks for the opportunity to be part of this worthy project. My check for $200 is enclosed". PND, Conn.

"Hope this will help purchase the set. If you have some sort of public 'thank you' list I am honored if I am included." Jim Newhouse, Whitewater, WI.

In order to make your contribution tax deductible, the Lewis M. Reagan Memorial Foundation is accepting the funds and issuing receipts. Send your check to Kenneth Hallenbeck, executive director, Lewis M. Reagan Foundation, 1141 W. Lexington Ave., Fort Wayne, IN 46807, and let's all wish our Uncle Sam "A Happy 200th Birthday." Just think, if every reader of this message sends only $1 we'll be over the top. Some won't bother, some won't care. How about you? Please, do it today. It all depends on you.



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American Patent System Honored



The National Council of Patent Law Associations in Washington, D.C., have released their official National Inventors Hall of Fame bicentennial medal commemorating the founding of the American patent system. Six of the medals have been reserved for presentation to the inventors, or their descendants, who were elected this year to the Inventors Hall of Fame, founded by the Patent Law Associations in cooperation with the U.S. Commerce Department's Patent and Trademark Office.

The new inductees and their inventions are: Rudolf Diesel, first successful internal combustion engine, 1898; Enrico Fermi, neutronic reactor, 1955; Charles Goodyear, vulcanized rubber, 1844; Charles M. Hall, first practical process for manufacturing aluminum, 1889; Cyrus H. McCormick, the reaper, 1834; and Charles H. Townes, the maser (forerunner of the laser), 1948. Townes, professor of physics at University of California in Berkley, is the only living inventor inducted this year.

Nominees are elected to the Inventors Hall of Fame, Alexandria, Va., by representatives of 28 of the nation's leading scientific and engineering societies. Only 18 inventors have been elected to the Hall of Fame since its founding in 1973.

The American patent system was founded with the Constitutional provision in 1787 and the subsequent adoption of the first patent act. George Washington signed the bill into law in 1790, marking the first time in history that the right of an inventor to profit from his invention was recognized by law. Prior to the Revolution, American patents were granted only upon special appeal to the colonial legislature.

The Patent Law Associations commissioned the Medallic Art Company, of Danbury, Conn., to mint the official bicentennial medal. All proceeds from the sale of the medal will be used to further the exhibitions and educational programs of the Inventors Hall of Fame.

The obverse of the medal features the portraits of Thomas Edison, the nation's most prolific (1093 patents) inventor and first inductee in the Hall of Fame, and Abraham Lincoln, also an inventor (a device for buoying ships over shoals). Completing the obverse design is Lincoln's 1859 quotation, "The patent system added the fuel of interest to the fire of genius."

The reverse design reproduces article 1, section 8, of the Constitution that provided for the patent system, and is inscribed, "National Inventors Day, February 11, 1776-1976, National Inventors Hall of Fame."

The 2½ in. high relief medal, with an antique patina finish, will be available in .999 fine silver at $75 and in solid bronze at $15. Both medals will be serially numbered and limited by demand through December 31, 1976. Collectors should add $1.50 for insurance, postage and handling.

Medals are available from National Inventors Hall of Fame Bicentennial Medal, P.O. Box 1735, Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, Pa. 19105.

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Denomination		Prev. Total	January Total	1976 Total
Dollars (non-silver)	Bicentennial	—0—	8,963,000	8,963,000
Half Dollars	dual-dated	—0—	17,098,000	17,098,000
Quarter Dollars	1776-1976	—0—	79,844,000	79,844,000
Dimes		—0—	49,444,000	49,444,000
Five-cent pieces	1976 dated	—0—	75,516,000	75,516,000
One-cent pieces		—0—	732,654,640	732,654,640
1975 Proof Sets (SF)		—0—	48,927	48,927
Bicentennial 40% Silver Proof Sets		—0—	208,339	208,339
Bicentennial 40% Silver Uncirc. Sets		—0—	201,700	201,700

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Country	Denomination	Prev. Total	January Total	1976 Total
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Liberia	Proof 1 cent	—0—	1,000	1,000
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C-783	Lewis W. Cellio; Columbus, OH	10.00	
YN-784	1st. Lt. Scott C. McElvain, Cheyenne, WY	13.00	
C-788	Wm. R. Long, Potomac, MD	10.00	
M-792	C. S. Cormell, Florence, SC	10.00	
M-797	Joseph A. Wright, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, PA	10.00	
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C-807	James N. Hill, Newark, OH	13.00	
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M-884	Richard J. Brady, Flushing, NY	10.00	
M-886	Mrs. Sylvia F. Levine, Forest Hills, NY	15.00	
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L-1515	Lt. Col. H. E. Follansbee, Robins AFB, GA	15.00	
C-1524	Arthur J. Foulkes, North Bergen, NJ	10.00	
M-1525	Jim Lofton, Dothan, AL	13.00	

Number	Name & Location	Cash	Material
M-1528	W. H. Odum, Tucson, AZ	10.00	
L-1530	J. A. Gosling, Wellington, OH	15.00	
C-1531	Norman F. Du Bois, Burbank, CA	10.00	
M-1532	Melville B. Rapp, Pompano Beach, FL	15.00	
M-1534	Mrs. Merle Wilkins, Clewiston, FL	10.00	
M-1535	Dr. John W. Crowell, Cheshire, CT	13.00	
M-1538	Jacob Caruso, Closter, NJ	13.00	
YN-1546	Elmer M. Kotabish, Brooklyn, OH	10.00	
M-1548	Hans J. Lutz, Seattle, WA	10.00	
M-1555	Douglas K. Hyatt, St. Louis, MO	18.00	
YN-1556	Richard Hopkins, Waukegan, IL	10.00	
1562	James D. Sneddon, Rock Springs, WY	55.00	
M-1564	A. S. Rafaleowski, Grandy, NC	25.00	
L-1565	Robert A. Kvederas, Pine Hill, NJ	10.00	
M-1567	Hugo Indorf, Hollis, NY	13.00	
M-1575	John C. Gauya, Bethleham, CT	10.00	
M-1576	Lewis H. Heidenrich, Flint, MI	15.00	
M-1578	Clifford Dill, Pea Ridge, AR	10.00	
C-1580	Alfred R. Alepa, Houston, TX	13.00	
M-1581	Donald J. Glover, Pittsburgh, PA	10.00	
M-1584	James M. Hebel, Jr., Lancaster, PA	10.00	
GE-1585	William S. Clark, San Francisco, CA	10.00	
M-1587	Howard M. Skinner, Colorado Springs, CO	13.00	
M-1593	Russell P. McLean, Columbus, GA	11.00	
M-1594	Robert A. Wert, Wendover, UT	10.00	
M-1596	Charles L. Scheidt, Centralia, IL	10.00	
M-1597	Francis S. Li, Norwalk, CT	10.00	
M-1605	Dr. J. Lauridsen, Brooklyn, NY	10.00	
YN-1608	Anthony P. Sousa, New London, CT	10.00	
M-1610	Miles Hamada, Honolulu, HI	10.00	
1613	A. T. Bliss, Jr., Midland, MI	50.00	
L-1615	James C. Diracles, Minneapolis, MN	25.00	
M-1616	Gerald L. Loegler, Cullman, AL	13.00	
M-1624	Dolores Carbonetti, New York, NY	10.00	
L-1625	D. S. Billington, Oak Ridge, TN	10.00	
C-1627	James V. Smith, St. Paul, MN	25.00	
M-1629	Michael L. Bastien, New York, NY	12.00	
M-1631	Joseph C. Drescher, Morristown, NJ	13.00	
1634	John H. Mussler, Jr., Bethel Park, PA	10.00	
YN-1638	Choo Wee Poh, Penang, Malaysia	10.00	
R-1640	Capt. Johnny L. Trigg, San Francisco, CA	10.00	
YN-1641	Juan S. Olmo, Carolina, PR	10.00	
M-1643	J. S. Brollier, Hugoton, KS	18.00	
M-1644	Joseph B. Lockhart, Rye, NY	10.00	
YN-1645	H. F. Di Francesco, Cocoa Beach, FL	10.00	
M-1646	Mrs. Soad Laham, Gainesville, FL	10.00	
M-1647	Leslie G. Day, Onida, SD	10.00	
1649	John H. Miller, Washington, DC	15.00	
M-1653	George R. Koch, Middlebush, NJ	10.00	
M-1655	Albert W. Horn, Colorado Springs, CO	10.00	
M-1658	Jorge H. Batista, Rio Piedras, PR	12.10	
M-1661	Dr. John A. Tomei, Cumberland, RI	25.00	
L-1664	William P. Neville, Berlin, MD	10.00	
M-1665	Jack Miller, Lake City, IA	10.00	
M-1668	Horace J. Tyler, Woburn, MA	13.00	
M-1669	Stanley P. Schmal, Brooklyn, NY	25.00	
L-1670	A. R. Verzellesi, Bridgeville, PA	10.00	
M-1671	Dr. W. R. Wunderlich, Camarillo, CA	10.00	
M-1674	Robert Finley, Ft. Lauderdale, FL	13.00	
M-1675	Robert H. Siewert, Riverton, WY	13.00	
M-1679	Joseph Dumbrowski, E. Longmeadow, MA	11.00	
YN-1684	Otto J. Svehla, Brooklyn, NY	11.00	
M-1685	Richard Leeds, Salem, NH	11.00	
M-1686	James K. Norwood, Fort Worth, TX	10.00	
M-1687	Donald W. Sawyer, Birmingham, MI	10.00	
L-1694	Richard T. Garner, Berkeley Hgts., NJ	10.00	
L-1700	Eliot P. Hurd, Annapolis, MD	10.00	
M-1706	S. L. Buonarotti, Jr., Broad Channel, NY	10.00	
YN-1707	Philip M. Decker, Pentwater, MI	15.00	
M-1708	Eugene N. Olivieri, Hamburg, NY	10.00	
M-1710	Mary Susan Whiteman, Detroit, MI	10.00	

Number	Name & Location	Cash	Material
C-1711	Martin Field, Menlo Park, CA	10.00	
M-1712	E. Szczepanski, Palos Verdes Penins, CA	25.00	
YN-1720	Richard O'Neill, Verona, NJ	10.00	
YN-1722	Roy E. Ward, Chino, CA	10.00	
M-1725	Ivan H. Benson, Casper, WY	10.00	
M-1731	Henry Foster, Bishop, TX	10.00	
C-1733	Theodore J. Swenson, Palatine, IL	20.00	
M-1736	Lee W. Jurney, Martinez, GA	10.00	
1742	Joaquin Espinosa, San Rafael, CA	20.00	
YN-1745	Howard Underwood, Oakland, CA	10.00	
M-1747	Robert M. Jones, Santa Barbara, CA	10.00	
M-1748	Mabel S. Clarke, Sea Isle City, NJ	10.00	
C-1751	Dennis W. Painter, Phoenix, AZ	10.00	
YN-1752	D. E. Jordan, Lincolnwood, IL	13.00	
M-1759	Samuel Hyman, Hicksville, L.I., NY	25.00	
M-1766	Bill Slike, Carey, OH	10.00	
M-1767	William F. Maxwell, Tokyo, Japan	16.25	
GE-1773	Seiji Ekino, Yamaguchi-Ken 757, Japan	10.50	
M-1786	Angelo C. Chiazza, Cockeysville, MD	16.00	
M-1791	George W. Plumb, New Baltimore, MI	10.00	
M-1792	Howard R. Schultz, Sr., Cleveland, OH	10.00	
C-1797	Robert M. Dekovich, Union City, NJ	10.00	
1798	Barry Gimble, Washington, DC	20.00	
YN-1800	Andrew B. Cusimano, San Francisco, CA	10.00	
C-1809	Clyde Anderson, Carson, NV	15.00	
M-1810	John J. Ruskowski, Metuchen, NJ	17.00	
M-1811	Charles Clifford, Jr., Thermopolis, WY	10.00	
C-1815	George Drann, Scranton, PA	10.00	
M-1817	Dr. Harry J. Smith, Lake Crystal, MN	10.00	
M-1821	James H. Bissett, San Antonio, TX	10.00	
M-1824	Frank De Smet, Alta, Canada	10.00	
M-1831	Horst D. Ralston, New York, NY	13.00	
1834	Dan Norris, Ryan Park, WY	10.00	
YN-1840	Richard M. Parisi, Eastlake, OH	10.00	
M-1841	Dale R. Piercy, Riverton, WY	10.00	
1844	David Gali, Buffalo, NY	10.00	
M-1847	Martin St. Lifer, Summit, NJ	10.00	
M-1853	Ernest E. Perron, Laconia, NH	10.00	
C-1855	Alan Faden, Cornwells Heights, PA	10.00	
1858	James Peterson, Lafayette, IN	30.00	
M-1860	Harry G. Laverack, Columbus, OH	15.00	
L-1863	Dr. Charles S. Zitek, Memphis, TN	10.00	
M-1867	Leslie F. Smith, Clifton Spgs., NY	10.00	
C-1873	Herbert W. Ellis, Pompano Bch., FL	10.00	
M-1874	Howard W. Kewish, Dixon, IL	10.00	
L-1875	James C. McKittrick, Commack, NY	10.00	
C-1882	Howard F. Harris, Sound Beach, NY	10.00	
1883	Antonino D'Ambrosio, Woodlyn, PA	14.00	
1888	John W. Pegg, Griffith, IN	10.00	
YN-1897	David W. Mitchell, Manchester, CT	10.00	
1900	Bernard Freidman, New York, NY	20.00	
M-1902	Walter Embleton, III, Satellite Bch., FL	10.00	
1904	John Meehan, Jarrettsville, MD	10.00	
M-1906	James R. Jesseph, Beaver City, NE	10.00	
M-1909	John J. Wien, Balboa Panama, Canal Zone	10.00	
M-1911	Richard E. Wahl, Buffalo, NY	10.00	
M-1912	David R. Lougee, Lynn, MA	10.00	
C-1914	Ronald C. Ewing, Lynden, WA	10.00	
M-1915	Gabriel A. Grams, Alta, Canada	10.00	
M-1922	Charles Muller, Jr., Newark, NJ	12.00	
M-1934	Aida Busto, Wilmington, CA	10.00	
M-1936	Arthur W. Greer, San Diego, CA	10.00	
M-1939	Nicholas Demis, Lowell, MA	10.00	
M-1944	Conrad E. Goodman, Heber Springs, AR	25.00	
	Receipts L-9695 through M-1944 total	$19,432.39	$25,941.32
	Receipts G-8400 through L-8411 plus receipts not shown above from M-101 through YN-1943 — under $10.00 — total	5,018.98	
	TOTAL	$24,451.37	$25,941.32

CODE: M-Museum, L-Library, C-Certification, G-General, YN-Young Numismatist, R-Reward, GE-Gift and Endowment, LA-Library Acquisition, S-Scholarship, CB-Grading Board

calendar of events

APRIL 1976

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EAST

APRIL

3-4 ALLENTOWN, PA. George Washington Motor Inn, Route 22 and North Seventh St. (McArthur Road). 12th Annual Lehigh Valley Coin Show. Jack P. Egizio, 1024 N. Tacoma St., Allentown, PA 18103.

BALTIMORE, MD. Pikesville Armory, 601 Reisterstown Rd. at Pikesville. Baltimore Coin Club's 11th Annual Coin and Stamp Show. BCC, 815 Park Ave., Baltimore, MD 21201.

PARKERSBURG, WV. Holiday Inn, U.S. Route 50 and I-77. Coin Show sponsored by the Parkersburg, West Virginia Coin Club. Tim Miller, 4216 Jefferson St., Parkersburg, WV 26101.

4 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Exit. Coin, Stamp and Hobby Exposition of the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.

10-11 FREDERICKSBURG, VA. Fredericksburg Community Center, Charles and Canal Street. Coin Show of the Fredericksburg Coin Club. Wallace Mann, 3204 Linden Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401.

NASHUA, NH. New Berkshire Master Host Inn, Exit 7E, Everett Turnpike. New Hampshire Numismatic Association's 14th Annual Convention and Coin Show. Fred McPhail, 25 Mayflower Dr., Keene, NH 03431.

BANGOR, ME. Ramada Inn, Odlin Rd. Spring Coin and Stamp Show of the Pine Tree Coin Club. K.T. Higdon, Whitaker Rd., Troy, ME 04987.

11 HAXLETON, PA. Gus Genetti's Motel, Route 309 North. 15th Annual Coin Show of the Anthracite Coin Club. J. J. Kapes, 669 McKinley St., Hazleton, PA 18201.

24-25 CUMBERLAND, MD. Fort Cumberland Hotel. Western Maryland Coin Club's Annual Coin Show. George Waingold, P.O. Box 3217, LaVale, MD 21502.

ELIZABETHTOWN, PA. American Legion, 240 N. Hanover St. Conewago Coin Club Show. Lowell Chastain, Box 241, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

MAY

1-2 FREDERICK, MD. West Frederick Jr. High School, Patrick St. 15th Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Catoctin Coin Club. John J. Weiss, 1728A Nickle Place, Ft. Detrick, Frederick, MD 21701.

2 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Exit. Coin, Stamp and Hobby Exposition of the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.

6 FAIRLAWN, NJ. Parmelee and Fairlawn Avenue. 6th Annual Coin Show of the Fairlawn Coin Club. E. Meletta, P.O. Box 113, Hawthorne, NJ 07506.

16 NEW CASTLE, PA. Lincoln and Highland Streets. Coin Show of the New Castle, Pennsylvania Coin Club. P.O. Box 52, New Castle, PA 16103.

28-30 PITTSUBURGH, PA. Greater Pittsburgh Merchandise Mart. Coin Show sponsored by the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society. Clifford H. Sutton, 258 Monroeville Mall, Monroeville, PA 15146.

JUNE

13 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Exit. Coin, Stamp and Hobby Exposition of the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.

25-27 BALTIMORE, MD. Baltimore Hilton Inn, Baltimore Beltway (Route 695), Exit 20, Reisterstown Rd. (Route 140). 4th Annual Maryland State Numismatic Association Convention and Coin Show. William A. Lenz, P.O. Box 6533, Sparrows Point, MD 21219.

JULY 30-AUG. 1 ROANOKE, VA. Roanoke Civic Center, Williamson Rd. and Orange Ave. Roanoke Valley Coin Club's Bicentennial Coin and Antiques Show. C. R. Coleman, P.O. Box 1223, Roanoke, VA.

CENTRAL

APRIL

3 HOLLAND, MI. Holland Civic Center. Holland Coin Club Coin Show. Philip Chilcote, 2928 Memorial Dr., North Muskegon, MI 49445.

APRIL

3-4 MASON CITY, IA. Knights of Columbus Hall, Hwy. 18 West. 7th Annual River City Coin Show sponsored by the River City Coin Club. Alice Broers, 1416 2nd St. S.E., Mason City, IA 50401.

4 DEARBORN, MI. Al Matta Hall, 5121 Oakman Blvd. Bicentennial Coin Show of the Dearborn Coin Club. DCC, P.O. Box 891, Dearborn, MI 48121.

WAUSAU, WI. Labor Temple. 12th Annual Coin Show of the Wisconsin Valley Coin Club. Gene Johnson, 1921 Chase St., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494.

11 MONROE, MI. Holiday Inn, Dixie Hwy. exit off I-75. Monroe Coin Club's Fifth Annual Coin Show. Mrs. B.P. Beneteau, P.O. Box 44, Monroe, MI 48161.

WAUKESHA, WI. Waukesha County Youth Building, Exposition Grounds. Coin Show sponsored by the Waukesha Coin Club. Leo Neidinger, P.O. Box 321, Brookfield, WI 53005.

17-18 MEMPHIS, TN. Ramada Inn at Lamar and Getwell. Whitehaven Coin Club Spring Show. Oliver Huggman, P.O. Box 22293, Memphis, TN 38122.

24-25 ANDERSON, IN. Mounds Mall Shopping Center, 109 By-Pass. 17th Annual Coin Show of the Madison County Coin Club. Norman Allen, 2116 Jefferson St., Anderson, IN 46016.

KALAMAZOO, MI. Kalamazoo Center, 100 W. Michigan Ave. Michigan State Numismatic Society's 20th Annual Spring Coin Show and Convention sponsored by the Kalamazoo Numismatic Club. P.W. Dame, 119 Marigold, Kalamazoo, MI 49002.

LEAVENWORTH, KS. Leavenworth National Bank and Trust Co. The Leavenworth Numismatic Club's 11th Annual Coin Show. F.M. Biastock, P.O. Box 305, Leavenworth, KS 66048.

25 JOLIET, IL. V.F.W. Cantigny Post, 367 Horseshoe Dr. Will County Coin Club Show. Bill Miller, 1517 Glenwood, Joliet, IL 60435.

MILWAUKEE, WI. St. Roman Church, corner 20th and Boliver Streets. 13th Annual Coin Show of the South Shore Coin Club, Inc. Kenneth L. Christie, 5321 Morningside Dr., Greendale, WI 53129.

OWATONNA, MN. Eagles Hall, 141 East Rose St. Annual Stamp and Coin Show of the Owatonna Coin and Stamp Club. Clarence Hanson, 309 W. Central Ave., Medford, MN 55049.

29-May 2 CHICAGO, IL. Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, 505 N. Michigan Ave. Convention of the Central States Numismatic Society, William Pettit, 31 N. Clark St., Chicago, IL 60602.

MAY

1-2 FORT MADISON, LA. St. Joseph Junior High School, 509 Avenue F. Hobby Show sponsored by the Fort Madison Coin Club. Daniel Gabel, Jr., 18 Oak Dr., Fort Madison, IA. 52627.

PAINESVILLE, OH. Painesville Armory, 1239 Mentor Ave. 15th Annual Coin Show of the Painesville Coin Club. Dick DeBoer, 38038 Wright St., Willoughby, OH 44094.

WICHITA, KS. Pawnee Plaza Mall, Pawnee at Broadway. Wichita Coin Club Spring Show. Myrl James, James Coin and Stamp, 1707 W. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67213.

2 LOUISVILLE, OH. Louisville Junior High School, 300 E. Gorgas St. Louisville, Ohio Coin Club Annual Show. Lee Howell, 6263 Columbus Rd. N.E., Louisville, OH 44641.

8-9 COLUMBIA, MO. Parkade Plaza Shopping Center, 601 Business Loop, I-70 West. 11th Annual Coin Show of the Columbia Coin Club. Don Rose, 1211 London Dr., Columbia, MO 65201.

15-16 MADISON, WI. Holiday Inn, 6301 E. Broadway. 16th Annual Numismatists of Wisconsin Coin Show hosted by the Madison Coin Club. Don Clark, 1927 Winnebago St., Madison, WI 53704.

16 MARRILLVILLE, IN. Knights of Columbus Hall, 61st St. and Harrison Tri-Cities Coin Show, sponsored by the Gary Goodfellows, Hobart, and Valparaiso Coin Clubs. Charles Frye, 4987 Adams St., Gary, IN 46408.

JUNE

11-13 ABERDEEN, SD. 25th Annual South Dakota Coin and Stamp Convention sponsored by the Ringneck Coin and Stamp Club. Charles W. Fulker, Bath, S.D. 57427.

4-6 INDIANAPOLIS, IN. Stouffer's Inn, 2820 N. Meridian. 18th Annual Coin Show and Convention of the Indiana State Numismatic Association. Ralph White, 132 Wisconsin St., Indianapolis, IN 46225.

SOUTH

APRIL

4 HOLLYWOOD, FL. Hollywood Mall, 2325 Hollywood Blvd. at Park Rd. Monthly Coin and Stamp Show of the Gold Coast Coin Club. B.J. Rubenstein, P.O. Box 205, Hollywood, FL 33022.

9-11 WILMINGTON, NC. Elks Club, 5102 Oleander Dr. Azalea Festival Coin Show sponsored by the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club. R. Jack Davis, P.O. Box 1312, Wilmington, NC 28401.

10-11 ABILENE, TX. Abilene Civic Center. Key City Coin Club's 1976 Collectors Show. E.A. Hopkinson, Box 725, Abilene, TX 79604.

RUSSELLVILLE, AR. Hughes Center, corner Knoxville and D Streets. Russelville Area Numismatic Association Coin Show. James Minchew, Box 1334, Russellville, AR 72801.

18 ATLANTA, GA. Holiday Inn, 175 Piedmont Ave. N.E. Coin Show sponsored by the Georgia Coin Dealers Association. Paul Wacaster, 938 Main St., Forest Park, GA 30050.

23-25 AMARILLO, TX. Civic Center, 3rd and Buchanan. 18th Annual Convention of the Texas Numismatic Association hosted by the Amarillo Coin Club. Lloyd Colvin, 2615 Wolflin, Amarillo, TX 79109.

MAY

1-2 WINSTON SALEM, NC. Sprague Street Community Center, 1400 E. Sprague St. 7th Annual Winston Salem Coin Club Show. Curtis E. McHargue, P.O. Box 10138, Winston Salem, NC 27108.

2 DANSVILLE, NY. St. Mary's School Auditorium, Elizabeth St. 16th Annual Coin-A-Rama sponsored by the Dansville Area Coin Club. Jean Bradley, 32 Spruce St., Dansville, NY 14437.

HOLLYWOOD, FL. Hollywood Mall, 2325 Hollywood Blvd. at Park Rd. Monthly Coin and Stamp Show of the Gold Coast Coin Club. B.J. Rubenstein, P.O. Box 205, Hollywood, FL 33022.

7-9 HUNTSVILLE, AL. The Mall. 7th Annual Kiwanis Coin Show co-sponsored by the Rocket City Coin Club. J.R. Tate, P.O. Box 750, Huntsville, AL 35804.

8-9 BURKBURNETTE, TX. Burkburnett Community Center. Wichita Falls Stamp and Coin Club Exhibition. Logan Essex, P.O. Box 1538, Wichita Falls, TX 76301.

15-16 DORAVILLE, GA. Northlake Hilton Inn, I-285 and LaVista Rd. Doraville Coin Club Spring Show. Dr. John F. Winn, P.O. Box 47524, Doraville, GA 30340.

GREENSBORO, NC. Golden Eagle Motor Inn, 201 E. Market St. Greensboro Coin Club's Annual Coin Show. J.W.B. Bason, P.O. Box 20623, Greensboro, NC 27420.

JACKSONVILLE, NC. Holiday Inn. Annual Coin Show of the Camp Lejeune-Jacksonville Coin Club. Dan Talbert, P.O. Box 7035, Northwoods Station, Jacksonville, NC 28540.

16 ATLANTA, GA. Holiday Inn, 175 Piedmont Ave. N.E. Coin Show sponsored by the Georgia Coin Dealers Association. Paul Wacaster, 938 Main St., Forest Park, GA 30050.

29-30 LAFAYETTE, GA. Municipal Park Recreation Center. LaFayette Coin and Stamp Club Show. Bill Krause, P.O. Box 189, LaFayette, GA 30728.

6 HOLLYWOOD, FL. Hollywood Mall, 2325 Hollywood Blvd. at Park Rd. Monthly Coin and Stamp Show of the Gold Coast Coin Club. B.J. Rubenstein, P.O. Box 205, Hollywood, FL 33022.

20 ATLANTA, GA. Holiday Inn, 175 Piedmont Ave. N.E. Coin Show sponsored by the Georgia Coin Dealers Association. Paul Wacaster, 938 Main St., Forest Park, GA 30050.

24-27 DAYTONA BEACH, FL. Holiday Inn "Surfside," 2700 North Atlantic Ave. Greater Daytona Beach Coin Club Western Hemisphere International Coin Convention.

JULY

10-11 GARLAND, TX. Sheraton Inn-Dallas Northeast, LBJ Freeway (I-635) at Jupiter Rd. Annual Coin Show of the Garland Coin Club. C.C. Andrews, 8516 Bluebonnet Rd., Dallas, TX 75209.

WEST

APRIL

3-4 EUREKA, CA. Redwood Acres Fairgrounds. 10th Annual Coin Show of the Eureka Coin Club. Harry Dixon, P.O. Box 505, Eureka, CA 95501.

23-25 FRESNO, CA. Fresno Hilton Hotel, 1055 Van Ness. California State Numismatic Association's 58th Semi-Annual Convention and Coin Show. Ruth Phillips, 227 N. Duke, Fresno, CA 93727.

24-25 CASPER, WY. Ramada Inn, Center St. Exit off I-25. Casper Coin Club Coin Show. Howard Benson, Casper Coin Club, P.O. Box 1671, Casper, WY 82601.

MAY

14-16 DENVER, CO. Marriott Hotel. Fifth Annual Spring Convention of the Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association. Ed Young, P.O. Box 533, Englewood, CO 80110.

JUNE

13 VALLEJO, CA. Dan Foley Cultural Center. 4th Annual Coin Show of the Vallejo Numismatic Society. Jack Tesolin, P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo, CA 94590.

JULY

▶ 4-10 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. Colorado College. 8th Annual ANA Summer Seminar, ANA Headquarters, P.O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

FOREIGN

APRIL

5 HEIDELBERG, GERMANY. Patrick Henry Village, Officers Club. Heidelberg Coin and Stamp Club Show. Clifford C. Heverly, 6909 Walldorf/Baden, Odenwaldstrbe 9, West Germany.

10 PARIS, FRANCE. Hotel P.L.M. St. Jacques. 17 Boulevard St., Jacques, Paris XVIIeme. XIV Salon Numismatique International. Mme. Charton, 1 rue Desire Charton, 93100 Montreuil, France.

25 BERN, SWIZERLAND. Assembly rooms, Casino Bern. 5th International Coin Fair sponsored by the Bern Numismatic Society.

FUTURE ANA CONVENTIONS

AUGUST

▶ 24-29 1976 NEW YORK, NY. Americana Hotel. 85th Anniversary Convention. General Chairman: Jackson Storm, 159-15 Northern Blvd., Flushing, NY 11358.

23-28 1977 ATLANTA, GA. 86th Anniversary Convention. Atlanta Marriott Hotel. General Chairman: Lester Davis, 180 Allen Rd. N.E., Suite 206, Atlanta, GA 30328.

22-27 1978 HOUSTON, TX. 87th Annive sary Convention. Astro-World Hotels. General Chairman to be announced.

membership ANA report

Applications J-88024 through R-88333 and LM-1792 through LM-1814, as published in the February issue, have been accepted for membership, with the exception of J-88237.

The following applications were received in February, 1976. If no objections are filed prior to May 1, 1976, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the June, 1976, issue.

top recruiters

Bowers-Ruddy	22	Halperin-Vaughn	12
Voecks-Krueger	20	Jackson C. Storm	11
Vincent W. Alones	12	Rettew-Hall	10

Elected and appointed officers' names omitted.

JA-88664 **Gary Black,** Howell, NJ. Archie A. Black

R-88665 **Glenn W. Johnson,** 41617 Roberts Ave., Fremont, CA 94538. Kurt Krueger, Fritz Voecks

R-88666 **John T. Moore,** Box 145, Elaine, AR 72333. Geneva Karlson

R-88667 **Charles W. Bly,** P. O. Box 436, Somerville, MA 02143. Mark A. Singer, Marcel Berlin

R-88668 **Urban M. Foerster III,** 385½ N. Main St., Iola, WI 54945. Arnold D. Jeffcoat, Robert F. Lemke

R-88669 **Thomas R. Miels,** 404 St. Peter, St. Paul, MN 55102. Joseph B. Letofsky

R-88670 **Robert Michael Scott,** Los Angeles, CA. Clifford M. Roth, T. W. Thompson

J-88671 **David Gelwicks,** 1738 Devils Backbone Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45238. Arthur M. Fitts III

J-88672 **Gregory Chilcote,** 1453 Ravenna, Wilmington, CA 90744. Arthur M. Fitts III

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R-88674 **John J. Johnstonbaugh,** Mill Hall, PA. Guy Lestrade

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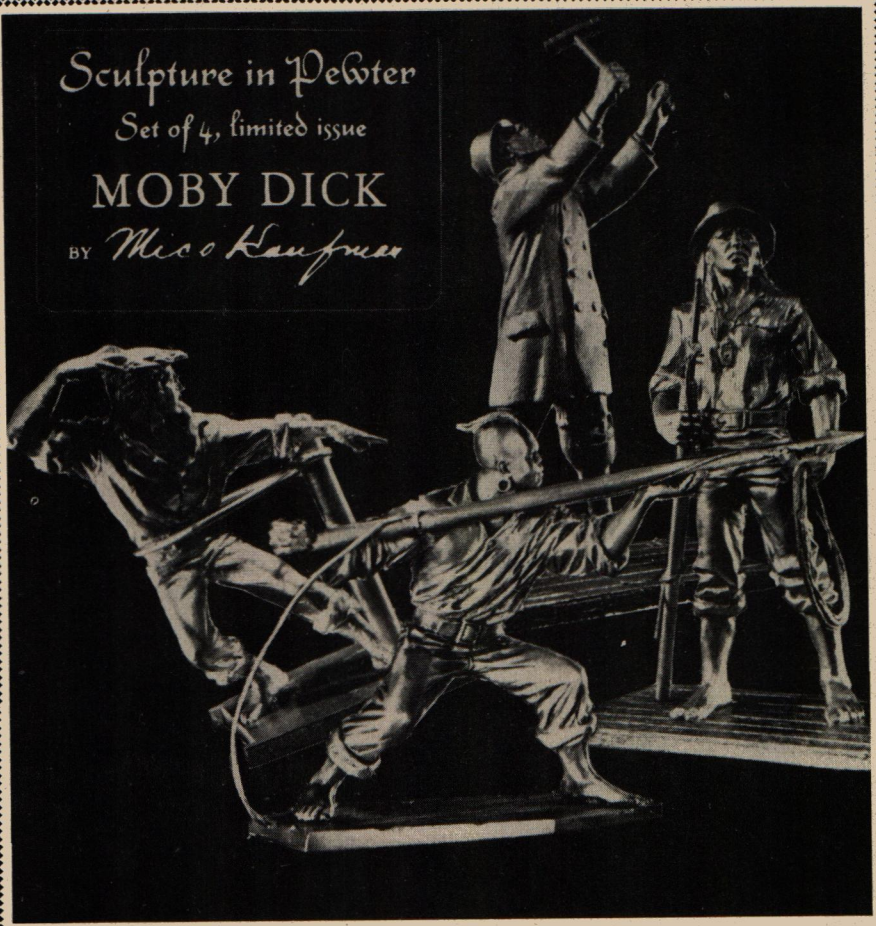
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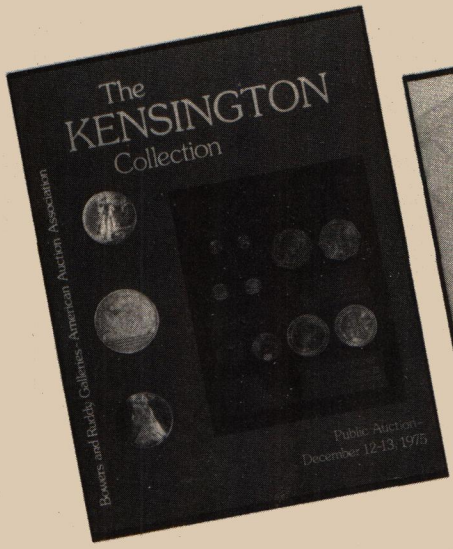
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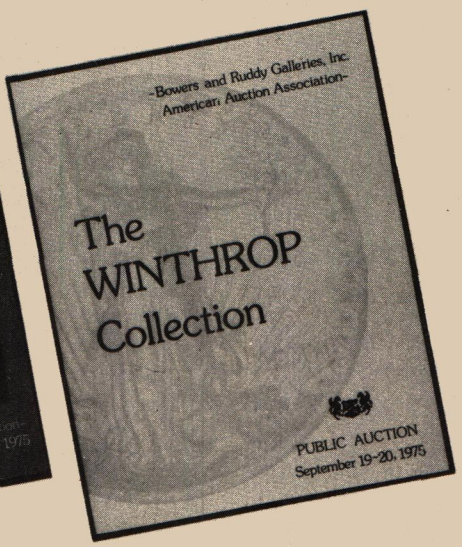
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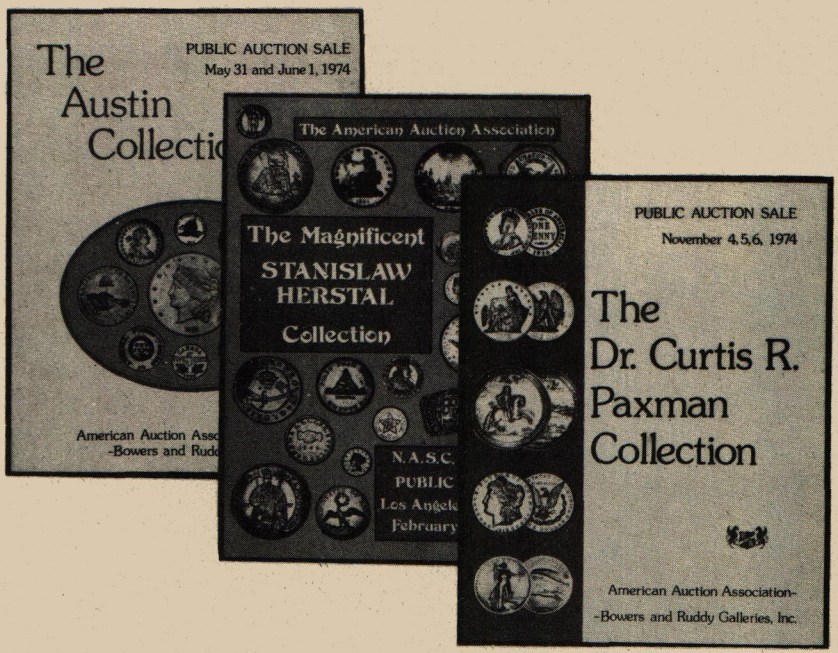


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1912 D 1.60
1912 S 5.75
1913 D 75
1913 S 3.50
1914 04
1914 D 29.00
1914 S 4.50
1915 25
1915 D 25
1915 S 3.55
1916 D 10
1916 S 30
1917 D 08
1917 S 10
1918 D 08
1918 S 10
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1921 S 35
1922 20.00
1922 D 2.95
1923 S 80
1924 D 6.00
1924 S 35
1925 D 09
1925 S 06
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1874 3.00
1875 3.00
1876 4.00
1877 72.00
1878 4.25
1879 90
1880/1881 50
1882/1883 50
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1909 S 40.00
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1912 D 40
1912 S 20.00
All others not listed .. .17
Complete set 1883 to 1912 115.00

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good or better
full 4 digit date

1913 T1 1.00
1913 D T1 2.85
1913 S T1 3.25
1913 T2 1.50
1913 D T2 12.50
1913 S T2 18.00
1914 2.00
1914 D 10.00
1914 S 3.00
1915 70
1915 D 3.00
1915 S 3.75
1916 25
1916 D 2.00
1916 S 1.20
1917 25
1917 D 2.00
1917 S 1.35
1918 20
1918 D 1.75
1918 S 1.25
1919 20
1919 D 2.00
1919 S 1.20
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1920 D 95
1920 S 50
1921 20
1921 S 4.50
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1924 S 1.75
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1916 55
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1917 S 55
1918 40
1918 D 55
1918 S 45
1919 D 90
1919 S 90
1920 D 50
1920 S 45
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1921 D 12.00
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All others not listed .. .25
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1938 07
1938 D 60
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1950 12
1950 D 5.00
1951 S 12
1955 12
all wartime 1942 to 45 .16
Complete set 1938 to 1964 15.00

WASHINTON QUARTERS
VG or better
Full Rims

1932 75
1932 D 28.00
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All others not listed .. .65
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1916 160.00
1917 T1 3.30
1917 D T1 3.90
1917 S T1 3.50
1917 T2 3.40
1917 D T2 5.85
1917 S T2 5.50
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1918 D 5.25
1918 S 2.70
1918/17 S 90.00
1919 5.70
1919 D 16.75
1919 S 16.75
1920 2.40
1920 D 8.25
1920 S 3.25
1921 16.75
1923 2.40
1923 S 33.00
1924 1.95
1924 D 6.50
1924 S 3.75
1927 S 3.00
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1885 CC	22.00
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1888 S	8.50
1889 S	8.50
1889 CC	58.00
1890 CC	5.50
1891 CC	5.75
1892 CC	10.00
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VG or better

1948	1.65
1953	1.50
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All others not listed 1.30
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good or better
full date & rims

1916	6.50
1916 D	4.50
1916 S	11.50
1917 D obv	3.75
1917 S obv	4.75
1917 D rev	1.75
1919	3.00
1919 D	2.75
1919 S	2.25
1921	24.00
1921 D	38.00
1921 S	5.00
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All others not listed 1.30
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1961	4.40
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1963	4.20
1964	4.60
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1955	18.00
1956	8.65
1957	5.00
1958	8.50
1959	5.50
1960	4.75
1960 SD	15.50
1961	4.20
1962	4.20
1963	4.20
1964	4.30
1968 S	3.45
1969 S	3.35
1970 S	7.30
1971 S	3.50
1972 S	3.60
1973 S	8.50
1974 S	7.50

PEACE DOLLARS
VG or better

1921	8.50
1924 S	4.25
1927	8.00
1927 S	4.25
1928	52.00
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1935	4.40

All others not listed 4.00
Complete set 1921 to 1935 205.00

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good or better
full dat & rims

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BUST HALF DIMES	10.00
HALF DIMES	3.25
BUST DIMES	9.50
SEATED DIMES	2.00
BARBER DIMES	.30
20¢ PIECES	24.00
BUST QUARTERS	24.00
SEATED QUARTERS	5.00
BARBER QUARTERS	.90
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EXACTLY WHAT IS FACE VALUE?

Face value is the actual denomination inscribed on a coin – the amount that the coin is worth in its country of origin. For example, the 1975 Panama gold coin has a face value of 100 Balboas. And since one *Balboa* is currently equivalent in value to $1 U.S., this coin has a face value that is equal to 100 U.S. dollars. Another example – the Turks and Caicos Islands gold coin – has a *face value* of 50 Crowns. One *Crown* in Turks and Caicos funds is currently equivalent to $1 U.S., so this coin has a *face value* that is equal to 50 U.S. dollars.

Another factor to consider is that the term "dollar" on a foreign coin does not always mean the same as "dollar" on a U.S. coin. For instance, a Cayman Islands "dollar" is currently equal to $1.20 in U.S. funds. And a Barbados "dollar" is equal to about 50¢ in U.S. funds. Thus, when you buy an Uncirculated $100 Barbados coin at "face value", you pay $50. A $100 Cayman Islands coin at "face value" would cost $120 U.S.

FACE VALUE DOES NOT MEAN . . .

. . . That you can take a coin to any bank *outside* of its issuing country and redeem it for its *full* face value. Some banks outside the issuing country may redeem your coin – but will undoubtedly charge handling or currency exchange fees. This is a customary practice when dealing with foreign exchange. In fact, if you were to take U.S. dollars to a foreign country and try to redeem them for the circulating currency of that nation, you would in nearly every case have to pay handling or currency exchange fees to do so. And you will find that these fees vary from bank to bank and country to country.

On the other hand, some banks outside the issuing country may not accept foreign coins at all. Indeed, many of your local banks may not accept Canadian pennies, coinage of Great Britain or any other major nation. *This in no way lessens the legal tender status of these coins.* An issuing country's sole obligation is to redeem legal tender coins in the country itself; it is *not* required to guarantee redemption outside of its borders.

Have you ever been on a trip and tried to cash a personal check? In most cases, out-of-state businesses or banks just won't cash them. This does not mean your check is no good – just that the particular company or bank is not familiar with your bank or your credit. This is why you generally take your checks to local firms – ones that know you.

A similar situation exists with foreign coins and currency. To be sure, most banks are familiar with the money of Canada, England, Mexico and some other large countries. But this still does not mean that they will exchange coins from these countries for U.S. dollars. And even if they do, they will *always* discount them. Obviously, such banks are even less likely to exchange coins from countries with which they are less familiar, or they will discount such coins more heavily. But remember, this is not the issuing country's fault, and as long as the issuing authority itself redeems its coins for the full face value, the coins are legitimate legal tender.

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Before you buy any modern issue coin, be sure that it is offered by a legitimate issuing authority or government, and that it can be redeemed by that authority for its full face value. **The countries listed above issue such coins and stand behind them.**

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1976. The Year of the Dragon

A strictly limited issue of Hong Kong $1000 gold coins, all in 22 carat gold.



This coin marks the beginning of one of the most ambitious projects in numismatic history. Over the next twelve years the Government of Hong Kong intends to issue a unique series of legal tender coins depicting all the animals of the Chinese Lunar Calendar.

The Chinese calendar follows an ancient twelve year cycle, with each year of the cycle represented by a particular animal.



1976 is the Year of The Dragon; and for this – the first of the series – the British Royal Mint is striking a strictly limited issue of Hong Kong $1000 gold coins. Only 30,000 coins are to be minted for world-wide distribution, 10,000 of them proofs, 20,000 in uncirculated condition. Of these, we have been able to reserve 4000 proofs and 6000 uncirculated coins for US and Canadian collectors.

The animals of the Chinese calendar

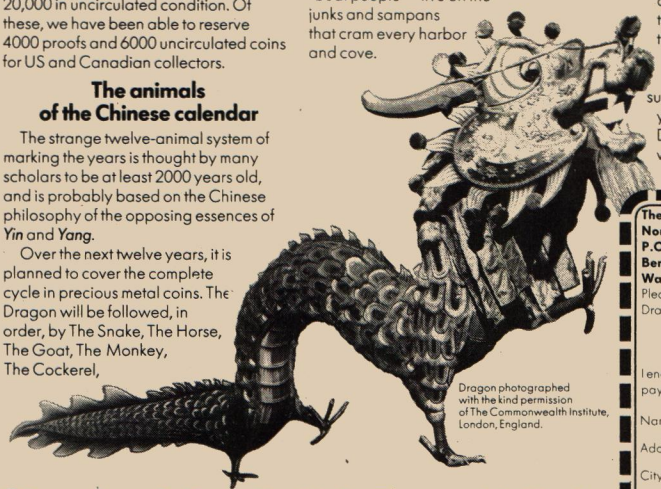
The strange twelve-animal system of marking the years is thought by many scholars to be at least 2000 years old, and is probably based on the Chinese philosophy of the opposing essences of *Yin* and *Yang*.

Over the next twelve years, it is planned to cover the complete cycle in precious metal coins. The Dragon will be followed, in order, by The Snake, The Horse, The Goat, The Monkey, The Cockerel, The Dog, The Pig, The Rat, The Ox, The Tiger and The Rabbit – completing the cycle in 1987 – The Rabbit.

The Crown Colony of Hong Kong

It is fitting that such exciting coins should come from Hong Kong, a place where ancient Chinese culture thrives in the midst of influences from almost everywhere else in the world.

Hong Kong actually comprises over two hundred small islands in the South China Sea (as well as a small part of the mainland of China). But it is one of the world's leading trade and financial centers. Over 4½ million people live there, most of them packed into Hong Kong island itself and Kowloon, on the mainland. Thousands of them – the "boat people" – live on the junks and sampans that cram every harbor and cove.



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The "Year of the Dragon" gold coin

The coin for the Year of the Dragon is to be struck at the British Royal Mint in 22 carat gold. It is 28.4 mm in diameter, and weighs 15.98 gms. The face value is HK$1000.

The obverse carries the famous Machin portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, whilst the reverse depicts The Dragon in a powerful and dramatic sculpture specially commissioned for this issue.

Proofs (which have a frosted relief on a mirror-finish background) are priced at $330, bright uncirculated coins at $225 (inclusive of postage, packing and insurance). Each coin comes in a special presentation case (proof cases are covered in fine red leather), with an accompanying leaflet explaining the significance of the animals of the calendar.

Demand for the last gold coin from Hong Kong well exceeded supply, so you are advised to place your order as soon as possible. Delivery will commence in eight weeks time.

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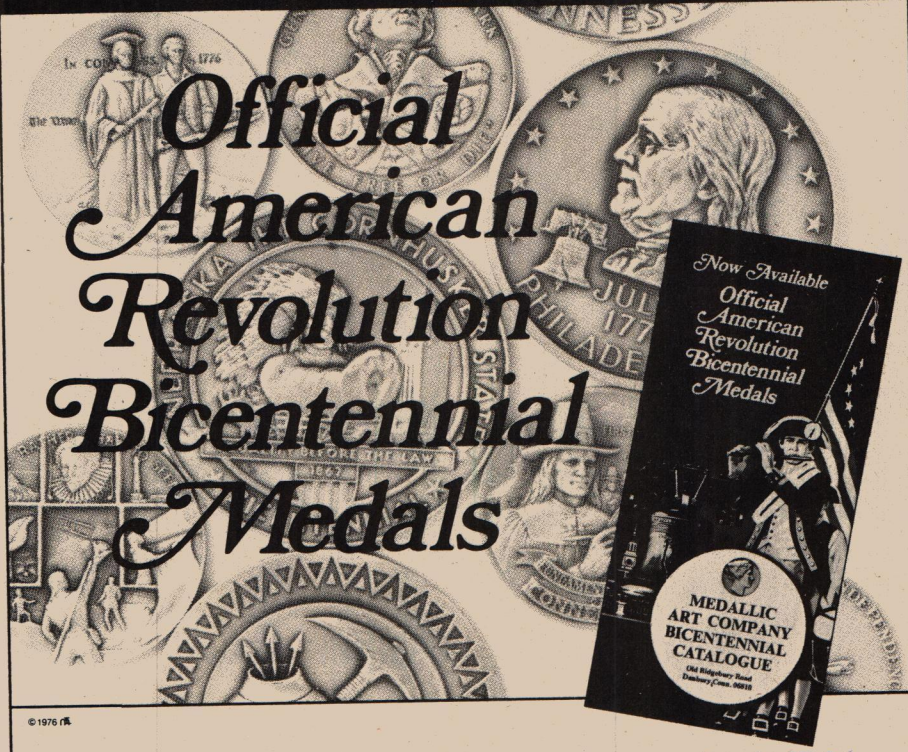
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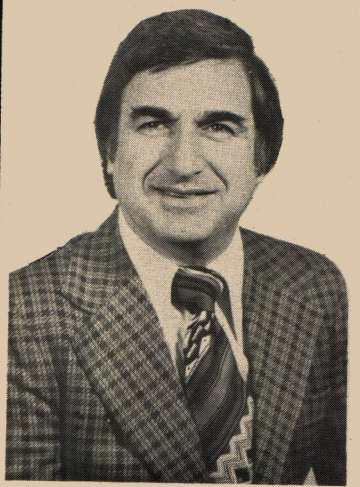
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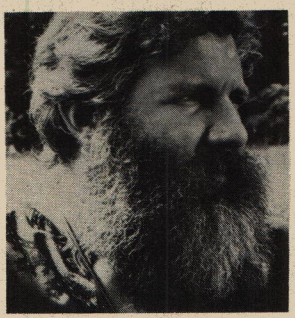
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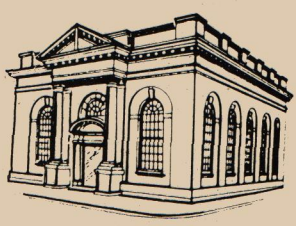
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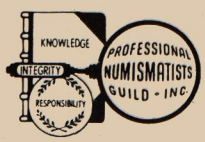
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1893O	6.50	9.50	10.50	12.50	14.00	17.50	22.50	35.00
1893S	3.00	4.50		8.00	11.50	17.50		
1894	4.25	6.00			11.00			
1894O	15.00	22.50	27.50	35.00	45.00	60.00	80.00	
1895	20.00	28.50					85.00	
1895O	38.50	57.50		77.50				
1895S	8.50	12.00					35.00	
1896	3.00	4.50	5.00			11.50	17.00	
1896O	20.00	27.50	31.50		47.50	65.00		
1896S	17.00	25.00	28.50	35.00	42.50	57.50	75.00	115.00
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1898O	2.50	3.50		6.00	8.00	12.50		45.00
1898S	2.00	3.00	3.75	5.00	6.50	9.00	16.00	30.00
1899	.80	1.10	1.25				7.00	14.00
1899O	2.50	3.50	4.00	5.00		11.50		37.50
1899S	2.50	3.50	4.25	5.50	7.00	10.00	16.00	27.50
1900	.80	1.10	1.25		2.25	3.50	7.00	
1900O	3.50	5.00	5.75	7.50	9.00	12.50		42.50
1900S	1.00	1.50	1.85	2.50	3.25	5.00	9.00	16.50
1901	.80	1.00	1.10		1.75		6.50	13.50
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1905O	1.00	1.50			3.75			22.50
1905S	.85	1.25	1.40	1.75	2.50	4.00	8.50	16.50
1906	.75	.95	1.05	1.25	1.75	2.75	6.00	12.50
1906D	.85	1.25	1.50	2.00	3.00	4.50	9.00	17.50
1906O	1.50	2.50			6.00	9.00	13.50	
1906S	1.00	1.50		2.25	3.00	4.50	8.50	16.50
1907	.75	.95	1.05	1.25	1.75	2.75	6.00	12.50
1907D	.85					4.50	9.00	17.50
1907O	.85	1.25	1.50			4.50	8.50	
1907S	.85	1.25	1.50	2.00	3.00	4.50	8.50	
1908	.75	.85			1.75	2.75	6.00	
1908D	.75	.85	1.00	1.25	1.75	2.75	6.00	
1908O	2.25	3.25					13.00	22.50
1908S	.85	1.25	1.75	2.00	3.00	4.50	8.50	16.50
1909	.75	.85	1.00	1.25	1.75	2.75	6.00	
1909D		3.00	3.75			12.50	20.00	35.00
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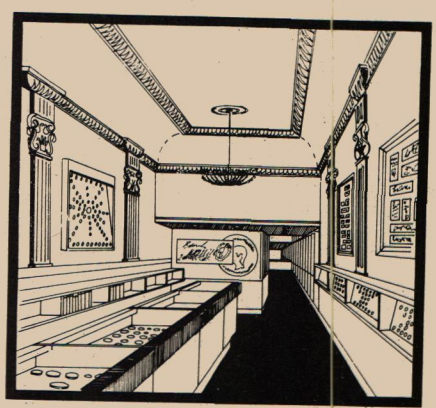
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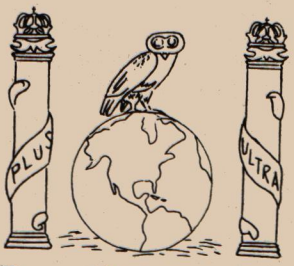
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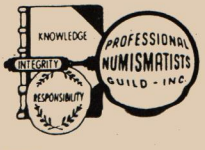
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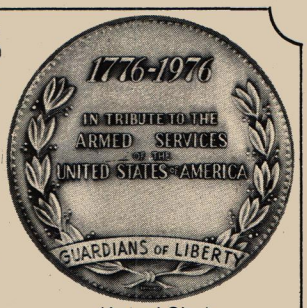
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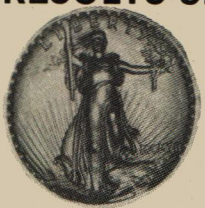
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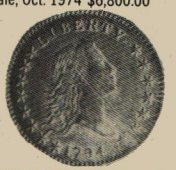
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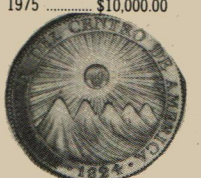
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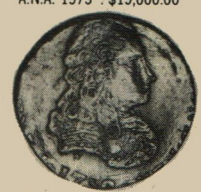
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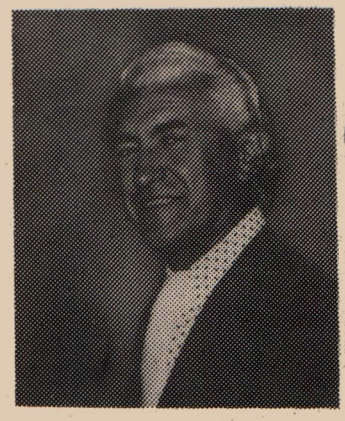
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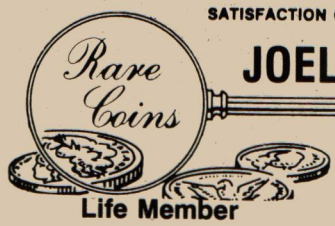
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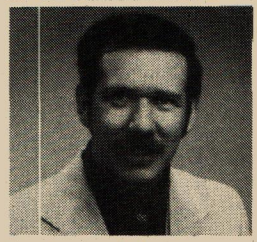
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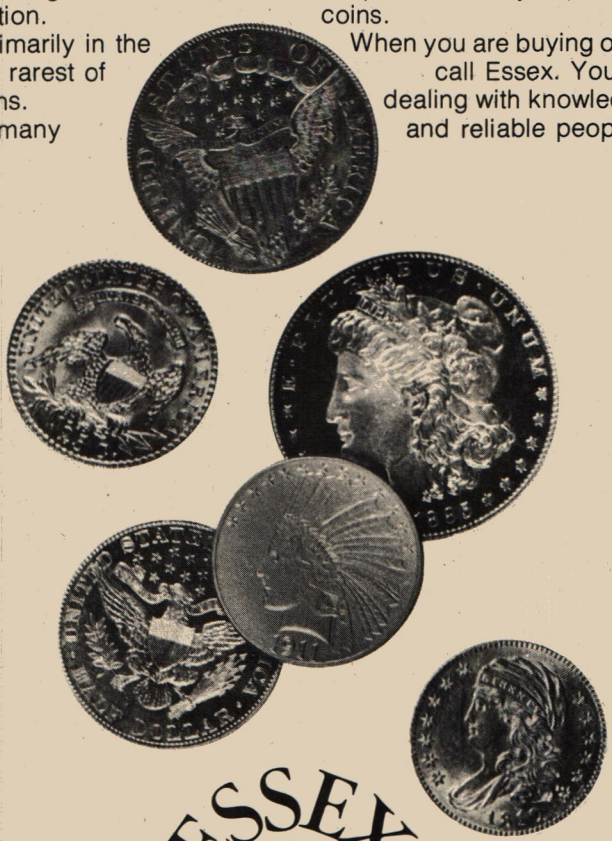
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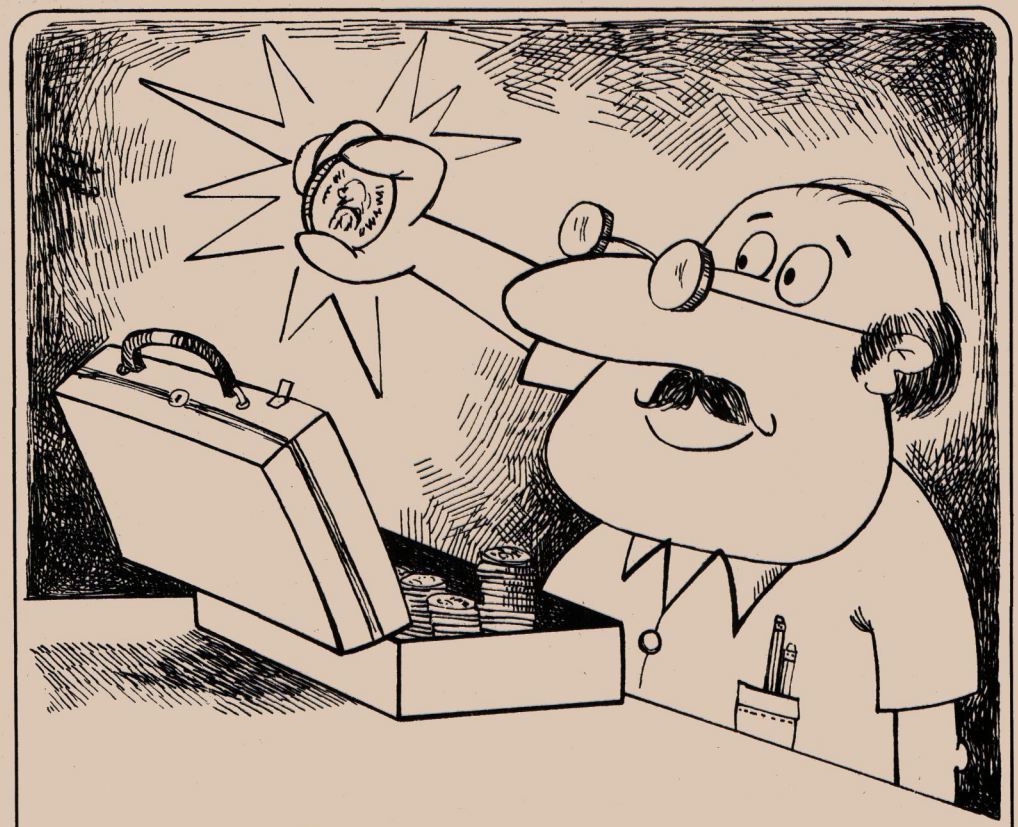
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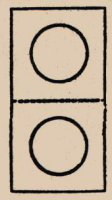
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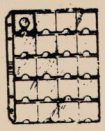
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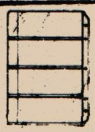
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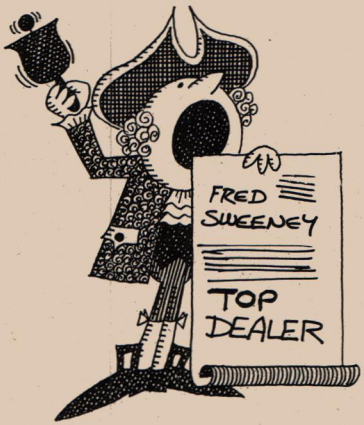
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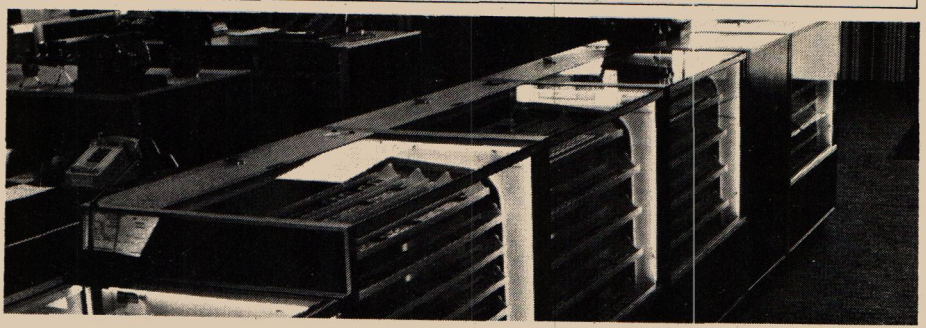
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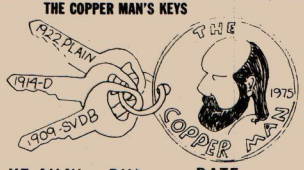
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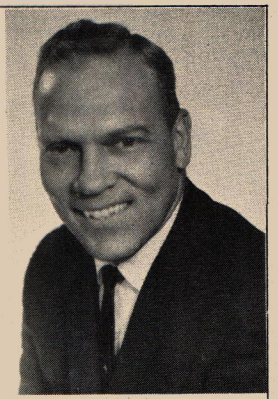
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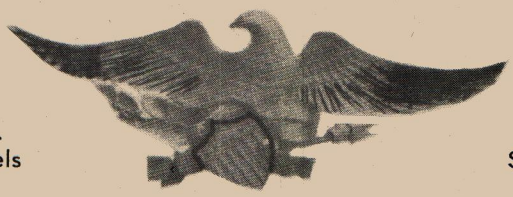
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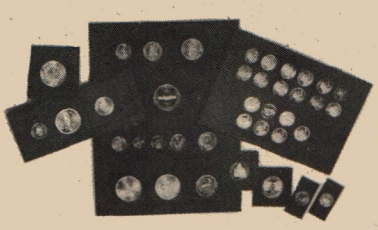
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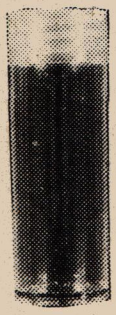
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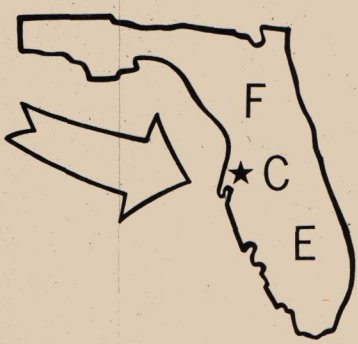
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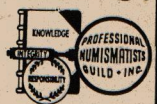
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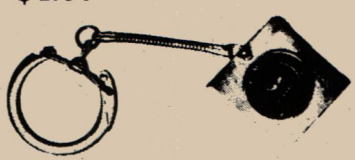
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